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THIS IS A MESSAGE FROM JOHN AFRICA TO ALL JUDGES
OF THE WORLD, AND ALL THOSE CONCERNED WITH THE
PROBLEMS OF THE WORLD

IN NATURAL LAW MOVE TRUST
ALL PRAISES TO THE ORDER OF LIFE
THE PRESENCE OF TRUTH IS FINAL
LONG LIVE MOVE
LONG LIVE REVOLUTION
LONG LIVE THE POWER THAT PULLS THINGS TOGETHER

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THE COURTS ARE THE TOOLS OF INDUSTRIAL PLAGUE GRANTING BIG BUSINESS
PRIVILEGE TO POISON OUR EARTH, SCIENTIFIC DREAMS THAT HAVE TURNED TO
NIGHTMARES, NUCLEAR PLANTS BELCHING SICKNESS, WEAK LUNGS, PUSHED ON
THE PEOPLE DESPITE THEIR RESISTENCE, CRIPPLING OUR CHILDREN UNTIL THEY
ARE DEAD, KILLING, RETARDING AND CAUSING MISCARRIAGE, REFORMING LIFE'S
WAY TO THAT OF A SCIENCE, TAKING OUR WATER, FAMILIAR AND CLEAN AND
TURNING IT INTO A POTION THAT'S POISON, AIR THAT WAS RIGHT AS THE GOD
THAT SUSTAINS IT IS NOW STRANGULATION TO ALL THAT MUST BREATHE IT,
NUCLEAR WASTE IS A RAFT OF YOU JUDGES AND WILL ALWAYS PLAGUE PEOPLE
UNTIL IT'S NO MORE, IT CAN'T BE MADE SAFE, DESPITE WHAT YOU TELL FOLKS,
WITH LAWS AND AMENDMENTS YOU STUFF DOWN FOLKS' THROATS, FOR NUCLEAR
POWER IS STILL IN EXISTENCE AND WASTE IS THE MONSTER THAT COMES WITH
THIS HORROR, A HORROR THAT'S MONSTROUS IN PROCESS AND AFTER, AND DISEASE
THAT IS CAUSED WILL BE LAID AT THE COURT, LAID ON THE JUDGES AND THOSE
THAT COMMAND THEM, POLITICIANS, INDUSTRIALISTS, ALL THOSE OF GREED,
THIS IS THE FILTH THAT YOU JUDGES PROTECT, RICH FOLKS AND INDUSTRY,
BIG BUSINESS, MONEY, POOR FOLKS IS JUST LIKE DEAD WOOD TO THE COURTS,
THEY'RE CUT UP AND BURNT UP AND SET OUT AS TRASH, YOU JUDGES AIN'T
GETTIN AWAY WITH NONE OF THIS STUFF, YOU HURT PEOPLE IN THE NAME OF
INDUSTRY EVER SINCE THE EXISTENCE OF INDUSTRY, MONOPOLY, EXPLOITATION,
YOU HAVE JAILED POOR FOLKS DESPITE INNOCENCE, FREED RICH FOLKS DESPITE
GUILT, COLLECTED YOUR SALARY FROM BOTH AND MADE POOR FOLKS PAY THE BULK
OF IT, THIS SYSTEM IS ROTTEN FROM END TO END, IT HAS BEEN SET UP BY
THE RICH TO BENEFIT THE RICH, GIVE THEM MUCH MORE THAN THE POOR FOLKS
THEY HIRE, ACCESSING THE RICH AND INSULTING, ENSLAVING, EXECUTING THE
POOR, FOR WHEN YOU ARE OWNED BY A SUBJECT, YOU ARE A SLAVE OF THAT SUB-
JECT, YOU CAN'T EAT IN THE SYSTEM UNLESS YOU WORK FOR THE SYSTEM, YOU
CAN'T WORK IN THE SYSTEM UNLESS YOU'VE GOT CREDENTIALS FROM THE SYSTEM,
YOU CAN'T GET CREDENTIALS FROM THE SYSTEM UNLESS YOU BECOME A CITIZEN
OF THE SYSTEM, AND YOU CAN'T BECOME A CITIZEN OF THE SYSTEM UNLESS YOU
SWEAR YOUR WHOLE LIFE AWAY TO THE SYSTEM, YOU GOTTA PAY TAXES FOR
CAUSES YOU DON'T WANT, FIGHT WARS YOU AIN'T GOT NOTHIN TO DO WITH,
ACCEPT RULES THAT AIN'T IN YOUR INTEREST AND GOT TO LIVE WITH POLITICIANS
THAT ARE ONLY LOYAL TO INDUSTRY, AIN'T NOBODY FREE IN THIS SYSTEM,
INCLUDING YOU JUDGES, YOU JUDGES ARE SLAVES OF THE ESTABLISHED THIEVES,
AND SINCE THE ESTABLISHED THIEVES CONTROL THE MONEY, THEY MADE EVERY-

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·BODY ELSE SLAVES TO THEM ALONG WITH YOU JUDGES, LAWYERS, POLITICIANS, THIS-IS THEIR SYSTEM, IT IS BUILT ON MONEY, FOLKS CAN'T GET NOTHIN IN THIS SYSTEM WITHOUT MONEY, AND CAN'T GET MONEY WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THOSE THAT CONTROL IT, THESE ESTABLISHED THIEVES BOUGHT YOU JUDGES TO DISGUISE THEIR THEFT, AND ESTABLISHED THE TAX SYSTEM TO PAY YOUR SALARY, CAUSING POOR FOLKS TO NOT ONLY GO TO JAIL FOR THINGS INDUSTRY IS GUILTY OF BUT PAY THE SALARY OF THE JUDGES, THE LAWYERS, THE POLITICIANS THAT PUT POOR FOLKS IN JAIL, AND THE SALARY OF A BUNCH OF POLITICAL PUBLIC RELATION FRAUDS REPRESENTING INDUSTRY, THE ESTABLISHED THIEF, TO MAKE POOR FOLKS THINK THE COURTS ARE JUST, THINK JUDGES ARE NECESSARY, THINK POLITICIANS ARE INDISPENSABLE, AND THINK OF THE CHIEF THIEF, WHICH IS INDUSTRY, AS THE MOST HIGHLY RESPECTED, NECESSARY, INDISPENSABLE INSTITUTION OF ALL, WITH ALL OF THE LIES, THE DECEPTION, THE BIAS TREATMENT, PREJUDICIAL JUDGEMENTS, CRIMINAL MANIPULATION YOU JUDGES ARE GUILTY OF YOU WILL SIT THERE 6 FT. IN THE AIR WITH YOUR SILK SUITS AND POLISHED DIPLOMACY LOOKIN DOWN ON YOUR VICTIMS AS IF THEY ARE GUILTY, BUT THE MOVE ORGANIZATION IS WELL TAUGHT, MOVE AIN'T FOOLED BY YOU JUDGES OR THE INTEREST YALL REPRESENT, THESE COURTS AIN'T NOTHIN BUT PROCESS HOUSES FOR SLAVERY, AND A LEGAL INDICTMENT TO KEEP FOLKS ENSLAVED, YOU JUDGES AIN'T GOT NO POWER, YALL AIN'T NOTHIN BUT A PAWN FOR POLITICIANS, AN ERRAND BOY OF BIG BUSINESS AND THE TRASH MAN OF INDUSTRY TO CLEAN UP THEIR FILTH, YOU AIN'T JUST, YOU AIN'T CLEAN, YOU AIN'T TRUE, FOR WHEN THE MOVE ORGANIZATION COMES TO COURT AND TELLS YOU JUDGES THE TRUTH AND YALL SIT THERE ACTIN LIKE MOVE IS TELLIN A LIE YOU MAKE OUR POINT, YOU JUDGES DON'T WANNA HEAR THE TRUTH FROM NOBODY, YOU AIN'T GOT THE TRUTH TO GIVE TONOBODY, AND WE BEEN TELLIN YALL THIS EVER SINCE WE BEEN LOOKIN AT YALL, YALL HAVE HISTORICALLY LET THESE ESTABLISHED THIEVES STAND BEFORE YOU, SWEAR ON THE BIBLE TO TELL THE TRUTH, LIE, AND TREAT 'EM LIKE THEY AIN'T LIED, NOW FOR THE PAST 9 YRS. YOU JUDGES HAVE HAD THE MOVE ORG. STANDING BEFORE YOU TELLING YOU THE TRUTH WITHOUT MOVE SWEARIN ON YOUR BIBLE, AND YALL TREAT MOVE LIKE WE'RE COMMITTING PERJURY, ALL THROUGHOUT MOVE TRIALS, ALL THROUGHOUT THIS TRIAL WE HAVE BEEN HONEST AND FOR BEING HONEST MOVE HAVE BEEN DENIED THE NATURAL RIGHT TO DEFEND OURSELVES, AND THIS COURT IS CON-
INUING TO DENY THE MOVE ORG. OUR INSTINCTIVE RIGHT OF DEFENSE BECAUSE WE REFUSE TO BE DISHONEST, REFUSE TO DISPLAY A FALSE IMAGE, REFUSE TO

BE WRONG, IT IS CLEAR THAT YOU JUDGES DON'T UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF SELF DEFENSE, THE NECESSITY FOR IT, THE ORIGIN OF IT. SELF DEFENSE AIN'T JUDGE GIVEN, IT'S GOD GIVEN AND YOU BETTER UNDERSTAND THIS, YOU JUDGES AIN'T GOT THE RIGHT, THE WILL, THE POWER TO TAKE A PERSON'S SELF DEFENSE, AIN'T NO SUCH THING AS HAVING THE RIGHT TO DO WRONG, IF YOU GOT WHAT'S RIGHT YOU GOT IT FROM GOD, AND WHEN YOU DO WRONG IT'S CAUSE YOU CHOOSE TO DO WRONG, CAUSE RIGHT AIN'T IN THE INTEREST OF THE SYSTEM, WRONG IS. ANYBODY THAT THINK THEY GOT THE RIGHT TO DO WRONG IS CONFUSED ABOUT THE PRINCIPLE THEY'RE TRYIN TO DISTORT, WHEN YOUR WIFE IS RAPED IS THAT RIGHT OR IS IT WRONG, WHEN YOUR DAUGHTER'S RAPED IS IT RIGHT OR IS IT WRONG, WHEN YOUR SON IS RAPED IS THAT RIGHT OR IS IT WRONG, YOU WILL TELL THE MOVE ORGANIZATION THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE INSTINCTIVE RIGHT TO DEFEND OURSELVES IN THE GOD-ORIENTED WAY OF DEFENSE, WHICH IS RIGHT, BUT YOU WILL SAY THAT YOU GOT THE RIGHT TO TAKE AWAY THIS RIGHT, AND THAT'S WRONG, YOU JUDGES ARE CONFUSING GOD'S RIGHT OF SELF DEFENSE WITH YOUR WAY OF LEGAL DESTRUCTION BECAUSE YOU ARE CONFUSED ABOUT THE MEANING OF RIGHT, THE PURPOSE OF DEFENSE, THE EXISTENCE OF TRUE FREEDOM, THE LAW OF GOD, A PERSON'S DEFENSE IS A GOD GIVEN POWER THAT MUST NOT BE TAMPERED WITH, THIS IS GOD'S LAW, FOR TAMPERING WITH THE INSTINCT OF THE LAW WILL STIFLE YOUR SENSES AND LEAVE YOU RETARDED, THIS IS WHY THE MOVE ORGANIZATION WILL NEVER GIVE INTO THIS SYSTEM OF SICKNESS NO MATTER THE SIZE OF YOUR THREATS OR HOW OFTEN, FOR WHEN YOU TELL US TO CONDUCT OURSELVES BY THE RULES OF YOUR WAY WE ARE DEPENDING YOUR WAY AND DEFEATING OURS, FOR YOU ARE ASKING US TO COMPROMISE WHAT MOVE BELIEVE IN FOR WHAT YOU JUDGES BELIEVE IN, BUT TO COMPROMISE OUR BELIEF IS TO SAY THAT WE DON'T BELIEVE IT, DEFEATING OUR WORK TO PROTECT OUR BELIEF, FOR COMPROMISE IS DEFEAT, YOU HAVE BROUGHT THE MOVE ORG. BEFORE YOU REPEATEDLY AND ASKED MOVE IF WE WERE GONNA CONDUCT OURSELVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COURT, THE MOVE ORG. HAVE TOLD YOU THAT WE WILL DO WHAT IS RIGHT, BUT YOU HAVE IGNORED THE TRUTH AND DEMANDED A YES OR NO, FOR YOU SEE, YOU DON'T WANT THE RIGHT ANSWER, YOU WANT A JUDGE ANSWER, A LEGAL ANSWER, THE WRONG ANSWER, FOR WHEN YOU ARE REPRESENTING A SYSTEM THAT WILL DEMAND A YES OR A NO OVER A STATEMENT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, YOU ARE REPRESENTING A SYSTEM OF CONFUSION, A SYSTEM THAT IS KNOTTED AND TANGLED IN THEIR OWN WEB OF COMPLEX, AND PUNISHED THE PEOPLE FOR THE SYSTEM'S CONFUSION, THE SYSTEM WILL POINT GUNS AT PEOPLE AND SAY THAT

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IT IS IN DEFENSE OF THE SYSTEM, PEOPLE CAN POINT GUNS AT THE SYSTEM AND IT IS SEEN AS WRONG, LEADING PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT WHEN THE SYSTEM POINTS GUNS AT PEOPLE IT IS IN THE RIGHT OF DEFENSE BUT WHEN FOLKS POINT GUNS AT THE SYSTEM IT IS IN DEFENSE OF NOTHING, AND YALL WILL TELL PEOPLE IN COURT AND OUT THAT THERE IS NO DEFENSE FOR THIS KIND OF CONDUCT, AND LOCK FOLKS UP TO MAKE YOUR POINT DAILY FOR CONDUCT THAT IS INFLUENCED, BOASTED, FLAUNTED BY THE SYSTEM DAILY, WHICH IS LIKE TELLING A CHILD THAT THEY CAN'T DRINK WHISKEY UNTIL 21 WHEN YOU DOIN IT, CAN'T SMOKE CIGARETTES TILL THEY'RE GROWN, WHEN IT IS YOUR INFLUENCE THAT CAUSE A CHILD TO WANNA SMOKE, CAN'T DRIVE A CAR UNTIL THEY'RE SOME OTHER NUMBER, AGE, SIZE, BUT THEY SEE YOU DRIVING CARS, IF THESE THINGS ARE WRONG AT ONE, THEY WRONG AT 21, WHISKEY WILL KILL YOU BEFORE AND AFTER 21, CIGARETTES WILL GIVE YOU CANCER BEFORE AND AFTER YOU'RE GROWN, PEOPLE THAT DRIVE CARS WILL KILL YOU WITH THEM CARS BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE LEGAL DRIVING AGE, BUT YALL ALWAYS TALKIN THAT LEGAL STUFF LIKE IT'S PROTECTIVE, SECURITY, LIKE IT KEEPS YOU HONEST, MAKES YOU SAFE, STOPS YOU FROM COMMITTING CRIME, WHICH IS THE SAME STUFF YALL TALK ABOUT EDUCATION, CALLING ILLITERATES TROUBLE MAKERS AND CALLING LITERATES TRUE REPRESENTATIVES OF EVERYTHING THAT'S CLEAN, PLAYIN UP UNSCHOOLED, UNPROFESSIONAL POOR FOLKS' CRIMES FOR EVERYBODY TO SEE, AND PLAYIN DOWN SCHOOLED PEOPLE'S CRIMES, GUARDING IT, SHADING IT, HIDING IT WHEN ALL THAT FILTH COMES OUT ABOUT YOU LEGAL PEOPLE, PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE, SCHOOLED PEOPLE, EVEN WHEN ALL THAT CRIME YALL COMMIT IS MADE PUBLIC YOU TRY TO PLAY IT DOWN, COVER IT UP, ACT LIKE YOU'RE PERFECTLY INNOCENT, AND THE ONLY TIME YALL ACKNOWLEDGE YALL'S GUILT IS WHEN YALL JUST CAN'T GET AROUND IT NO OTHER WAY, AND YOU'RE STILL TREATED LIKE YOU AIN'T DONE NOTHIN, BUT THE JAILS ARE FULL OF POOR FOLKS THAT AIN'T DONE NOTHING COMPARED TO THE STUFF YOU CRIME-ORIENTED GANGSTERS DO, AND SOME AIN'T GUILTY OF NOTHING AT ALL BUT THE SUSPICION OF THE COPS, THE D.A.'s, YOU JUDGES, YET THESE ILLITERATES, THESE UNSCHOOLED PEOPLE, POOR PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PUT IN JAIL FOR 5 YRS. OF THEIR LIVES, 10 YRS. OF THEIR LIVES, 20 YRS. OF THEIR LIVES, PUT IN JAIL FOR LIFE BY JUDGES JUST LIKE YOU FOR DOIN EVERY NOW AND THEN WHAT YOU THIEVIN CRIPPLES MAKE A PROFESSION OF DOIN LEGALLY, PRESIDENT NIXON, HIS AIDES, HIS STAFF WERE ALL OVER 21, THEY WERE ALL LEGAL DRUNKS, LEGAL DRIVERS, LEGAL CIGARETTE SMOKERS AND LEGAL THIEVES, CAUSE DESPITE

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THEIR LEGAL TITLE, THEIR PROFESSIONALISM, THEIR SO CALLED INTEGRITY
THEY LIED, CHEATED, STOLE, AND LIED SOME MORE WHEN THEY WAS CAUGHT
LYIN, CHEATIN, STEALIN, CAUSE WHEN A NIXON LIES IT IS SEEN NECESSARY,
BUT WHEN A NIGGA LIES IT IS CONDEMNED AS AN ACT OF PERJURY, NIXON WAS
WRONG, HIS AIDES WAS WRONG, THEY ALL COMMITTED PERJURY, AND ALL THIS
WAS DONE DESPITE LEGALITY, PROFESSIONALISM, CAUSE YOU CAN BE WRONG AND
STILL BE LEGAL, BUT WHEN YOU SAY YOU'RE RIGHT AND DO WRONG YOU AIN'T
RIGHT NO MORE, AIN'T NO SUCH THING AS A LEGAL RIGHT, CAUSE RIGHT AIN'T
LEGAL, IT'S NATURAL, IF BEING LEGAL WAS THE SAME AS BEING RIGHT YOU
WOULDN'T HAVE LEGAL PROBLEMS, YOU GOT A LEGAL SYSTEM, AND YOUR LEGAL
SYSTEM IS FILLED WITH PROBLEMS, BUT IF THE SYSTEM WAS RIGHT IT WOULD
BE JUST THAT, RIGHT, BE WITHOUT DRINKIN, WITHOUT SMOKIN, WITHOUT STEALING.
WITH-OUT PROBLEMS, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE WITHOUT LEGALITIES, LEGALITY
DON'T SOLVE PROBLEMS, EASE BURDENS, MAKE THINGS RIGHT, WHEN YOU LOCK
A PERSON UP FOR STEALIN YOU DON'T SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF THE VICTIM OR
THE PERSON, WHEN YOU LOCK A PERSON UP FOR RAPIN YOU DON'T SOLVE THE
PROBLEM OF THE VICTIM OR THE PERSON, WHEN YOU JUDGES HANG A PERSON,
PUT A PERSON IN A ELECTRIC CHAIR, GAS A PERSON, SHOOT A PERSON TO DEATH
FOR CRIME YALL DIDN'T SEE THAT PERSON COMMIT YOU AIN'T SOLVING THE
PROBLEM OF CRIME OF THE SO CALLED CRIMINAL OR THE VICTIM, YOU'VE CAUSED
A BURDEN FOR THE MOTHER THAT IS NOW WITHOUT SQN, THE WIFE THAT IS NOW
WITHOUT A HUSBAND, THE DAUGHTER THAT IS NOW WITHOUT A FATHER AND SOCIETY
FOR PUTTING FAITH IN THIS GODDAMNING PROCEDURE, FOR IT IS THE SYSTEM
THAT IS GUILTY OF THE CRIMES OF ALL THAT IS CRIMINAL, ALL CRIMES IS
COMMITTED WITHIN THE SYSTEM NOT WITHOUT, BECAUSE THE INFLUENCE OF THAT
IGNORANT BLACK BOY YOU JUDGES GASSED TO DEATH, POOR WHITE BOY YOU JUDGES
SHOT TO DEATH, UNAWARE PUERTO RICAN BOY, GIRL, ADULT YOU JUDGES ELECTRO-
CUTED TO DEATH CAME STRAIGHT FROM YOU JUDGES, YOUR BOSSES, THEIR CRIMES,
REMEMBER, THIS IS A SYSTEM FOLKS ARE LIVING IN, IT WAS DEvised FROM AN
IDEA AND THE RULES, THE SO CALLED LAWS, THE PRACTICES OF THIS SYSTEM,
THIS IDEA, THIS CIVILIZATION HAS INFLUENCED EVERYBODY IN THE SYSTEM
SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE SYSTEM, SO IF YOU GOT CRIME NOW IT IS BECAUSE
YOU HAD IT WHEN YOU STARTED, CRIMINALS DON'T COME FROM THE WOMB OF A
WOMAN, THEY'RE INFLUENCED TO BE CRIMINALS WHEN THEY ENTER THE CRIME-
ORIENTED CAVITY OF CIVILIZATION, THIS IS WHY BABIES ARE REFERRED TO AS
BORN, BORN MEANS NEW, AND WHEN THE BABY COMES FROM THE MOTHER'S STOMACH,

WHICH IS RIGHT, CRIME FREE, IT IS BORN INTO A NEW WOMB WHICH IS WRONG, CRIME INFESTED, CAUSE IF THE BIRTH OF A CHILD INTO CIVILIZATION WAS THE SAME AS A MOTHER'S WOMB, SAFE, FREE, CLEAN, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO MAKE THIS DISTINCTION, EXPRESS CHANGE BY USING THE WORD BORN, CAUSE THERE'D BE NO OTHER WORD, OTHER EXPRESSION, THINGS WOULD ALREADY BE DISTINGUISHED, THE EXPRESSION OF THE BABY INSIDE THE MOTHER'S STOMACH AND THE BABY OUTSIDE THE MOTHER'S STOMACH WOULD BE ONE CONTINUATION, BUT IT AIN'T THAT WAY, CAUSE IN THE MOTHER'S STOMACH AIN'T NO CRIME, AIN'T NO LIQUOR STORES BEING HELD UP AT GUN POINT, CAUSE THERE AIN'T NO LIQUOR STORE OR GUNS, BUT ONCE OUTSIDE THE MOTHER'S STOMACH AND THE FIRST THING YOU GOTTA DO IS TAKE OUT AN INSURANCE POLICY, CAUSE AIN'T NOTHIN SAFE, THERE AIN'T ANOTHER SOCIETY IN THE WORLD OUTSIDE OF CIVILIZED SOCIETY THAT SELLS OR NEEDS INSURANCE, AIN'T NO ARMIES, NO NAVIES, NO AIR FORCE, NO MARINES, NO COPS POINTING GUNS AT YOUR FACE, NO PROSECUTIN ATTORNEYS POINTING FINGERS IN YOUR FACE, AND NO JUDGES POINTING A PERSON TO A 60 YR. JAIL SENTENCE FOR DOIN THE SAME THING AS JUDGES, LYIN, CHEATIN, FORGIN, DECEIVIN, RAPIN, MURDERIN, AND ENCOURAGIN RIOT, YOU JUDGES CAUSE PROBLEMS, CREATES BURDENS, KEEPS THINGS FROM BEING RIGHT, THE BURDEN OF TAXATION IS THE FOUNDATION OF YOUR SYSTEM, AND TAX HAS BEEN A PROBLEM EVERY SINCE THE SYSTEM, BUT IF YOUR SYSTEM WAS BUILT ON RIGHTEOUSNESS HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE, IN FACT, RIGHT, CAUSE YOU CAN ONLY BE WHAT YOU ARE, AND WHEN YOUR SYSTEM PROVES WRONG YOUR LEGAL HAS BEEN PROVEN WRONG, AND THE MOVE ORGANIZATION AIN'T RESPECTING NOTHIN THAT'S WRONG, YOU JUDGES ARE WRONG AND TO DEMAND THAT MOVE RESPECTS YOU, YOUR COURTS, YOUR SYSTEM COMPOUNDS YOUR CRIME, NOW YOU SEE WHY MOVE MUST CONDUCT OURSELVES THE WAY WE DO, AND WHY WE WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OURSELVES THE WAY WE DO, BUT YOUR GODDAMNING SYSTEM IS SO BACKWARDS IT WILL CONDEMN MOVE'S CONDUCT AND CONDONE YALL'S, THE MOVE ORG. AIN'T GONNA NEVER GIVE INTO YALL, YALL AIN'T GOT NOTHIN TO OFFER US, CAUSE YALL AIN'T WITH, YALL ARE WITHOUT, IF MOVE FOLKS WANTED TO BE WRONG, MENTALLY POOR, CONFUSED, ENSLAVED, MOVE MEMBERS WOULDN'T HAVE LEFT THE SYSTEM FOR THE MOVE ORG., IT CAN BE PROVEN THAT EVERY LEGAL SUBJECT IS A PROBLEM SUBJECT, THE PRESIDENT IS SAID TO BE THE HIGHEST LEGAL OFFICIAL IN THIS COUNTRY, AND HE GOT ALL KIND A PROBLEMS, WHEN SOMETHING GOES WRONG WITH YOUR RESEVOIRS YOU DON'T REFER TO IT AS RIGHT, YOU SAY YOU GOT A WATER PROBLEM, WHEN SOMETHING GOES WRONG WITH YOUR

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AGRICULTURE YOU DON'T REFER TO IT AS RIGHT, YOU SAY YOU GOT A FOOD PROBLEM, WHEN YOUR ALREADY POLLUTED AIR GETS IMPOSSIBLE TO BREATHE YOU DON'T SAY YOU GOT A AIR PROBLEM, YOU SAY YOU GOT A AIR POLLUTION PROBLEM CAUSE IT AIN'T THE AIR THAT AIN'T RIGHT, IT IS THE POLLUTION IN THE AIR THAT AIN'T RIGHT, AIR AIN'T NEVER BEEN A PROBLEM TO NOBODY, AND YOU WILL OBSERVE THAT AIR AIN'T LEGISLATED, IT AIN'T PROFESSIONAL, IT AIN'T LEGAL, BUT POLLUTION IS, FOR YOU SEE, AIR IS THE NECESSITY OF GOD, BUT POLLUTION IS THE ACCESSORY OF CIVILIZATION, CAUSE INDUSTRY IS AN EXCESS OF LIFE, AN ADDITION TO GOD'S LAW THAT HAS CAUSED ALL DISORDERS, MURDER, RAPE, THEFT, SLAVERY, WAR, GUNS, BOMBS, CRIPPLES, INDUSTRY HAS CAUSED HEART DISORDER, HEAD DISORDERS, LUNG DISORDER, TEETH DISORDER, IT HAS CAUSED WIVES TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM HUSBANDS, HUSBANDS TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM THEIR JOBS AND CHILDREN TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM THEIR MOTHERS, THEIR FATHERS AND THEIR JOBS, INDUSTRY HAVE CAUSED THE DISORDER OF SMOKING, THE DISORDER OF DRINKING, THE DISORDER OF PILLS AND THE PROBLEMS THAT COME AFTER, INDUSTRY HAS CAUSED BIRTH PROBLEMS, DEATH PROBLEMS AND ALL OF THE BILLIONS OF PROBLEMS IN BETWEEN, INDUSTRY HAVE TWISTED PEOPLE AROUND SO BAD THAT PEOPLE WILL COMPROMISE AIR FOR AIR POLLUTION, WATER FOR WATER POLLUTION, SOIL FOR SOIL POLLUTION FOR A PAYCHECK FROM INDUSTRY, CAUSING PEOPLE TO PUT A PROIRITY ON POLLUTION FOR THE SAKE OF MONEY AND FORSAKE THE HEALTH THAT GOD INTENDED, FOR POLLUTION IN THE AIR IS INDUSTRY AND INDUSTRY IS MONEY, POLLUTION IN THE WATER IS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN BUSINESS, POLLUTION OF THE SOIL IS ACCEPTED AS A SO CALLED WAY OF LIFE, ANY SYSTEM THAT SELLS THE AIR, BARTERS THE WATER, PUTS A MONETARY PRICE ON SOIL, MARKETS THE HEALTH, THE WORTH, THE FREEDOM OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE FOR A GODDAMNING DOLLAR IS TO BE EXPOSED, CONDEMNED, CUT DOWN FOR GOOD, CUT DOWN FOR THE GOOD OF LIFE, THE GOOD OF LOVE, THE GOOD OF FREEDOM, THE NECESSITY OF HEALTH, CUT DOWN FOR THE GOOD OF GOD, THE LAW OF AIR, THE LAW OF SOIL, THE LAW OF WATER, INDUSTRY HAS NOT ONLY POISONED THE SOURCE OF LIFE, IT HAS CREATED ANOTHER MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY TO SO CALL CLEAN IT UP, ALL THEM CHEMICALS THEY PUT IN THE WATER TO SO CALLED PURIFY IT IS A RESULT OF THE SAME INDUSTRY THAT POISONED THE WATER, SO THAT THEY NOT ONLY MAKE MULTI-BILLIONS FOR POISONING THE WATER BUT MORE MULTI-BILLIONS FOR SO CALLED CLEANING THE WATER UP, BUT LET THIS BE CLEAR TO YOU JUDGES, ALL THOSE YOU REPRESENT AND THOSE THEY ARE FRONTING FOR, THE

MOVE ORGANIZATION IS NOT FOOLED ONE BIT ABOUT THE DECEPTIVE RATE OF
GOD'S SUBJECTS YOU CRIMINALS HAVE LONG BEEN GUILTY OF, WE'RE NOT FOOLED
 ABOUT YALL'S CLAIM OF POLLUTION BEING SAFE SO LONG AS IT IS HELD AT A
 SAFE LEVEL, WE AIN'T FOOLED OF YOUR CLAIM OF PURIFYING WATER WITH
 CHEMICALS THAT CAME FROM SCIENCE AND NOT FROM GOD, FOR THE EXISTENCE
 OF WATER UNDER GOD'S LAW IS PURE, TO ADD THE POLLUTION OF INDUSTRY IS
 TO MAKE IT UNPURE, AND TO ADD MORE SO CALLED PURIFYING CHEMICALS,
INDUSTRY, TO SO CALLED CLEAN THE WATER UP IS TO ONLY ADD MORE INDUSTRY
 TO WHAT HAS ALREADY BEEN FOULED UP AND MAKE IT MORE FOUL, FOR UNLESS
 ANYBODY IN THIS SYSTEM CAN CLAIM TO KNOW THE FORMULA GOD INTENDED FOR
 PURE WATER, UNLESS YOU ARE USING THE VERY SAME FORMULA GOD USES, YOU'RE
 USING SOMETHING DIFFERENT, GOD'S WATER IS PURE, BUT THE WATER YALL
 PRODUCE AIN'T, YALL'S WATER IS DIFFERENT FROM GOD'S WATER CAUSE YOUR
 FORMULA'S DIFFERENT FROM GOD'S FORMULA, WHEN A SUBJECT IS POLLUTED, TO
 ADD MORE CHEMICALS TO THAT SUBJECT, NO MATTER WHETHER YOU CALL THEM
 PURIFYING CHEMICALS OR NOT, IS TO FURTHER POLLUTE THAT SUBJECT, FOR
 WHEN WATER'S ALREADY POLLUTED TO ADD SOMETHING ELSE IS TO GET SOMETHING
 ELSE, THE ONLY SAFE POLLUTION LEVEL IS NO POLLUTION LEVEL, INDUSTRY IS
 GUILTY OF BREAKING TRUE LAW, BUT YOU JUDGES ARE TRYIN TO PROSECUTE
 MOVE, YET MOVE AIN'T PROFESSIONAL, WE AIN'T INDUSTRIAL, WE AIN'T LEGAL,
 AND WE DON'T BELIEVE IN AGE, THE LAW WE BELIEVE IN IS COMMON, CLEAN,
 LASTING, IT IS ALL OF THE THINGS YOU MUST HAVE TO SUSTAIN YOU, IT IS
 AIR, SOIL, WATER, THE LAW THAT SUSTAINS LIFE, IT IS GOD, MAMA NATURE,
 THE ORDER THAT EMBRACE ALL, YOU CAN EAT MOVE'S LAW, DRINK MOVE'S LAW,
 BREATHE MOVE'S LAW, BUT THE PROOF OF YOUR LAW ARE THE HOSPITALS THAT
 FOLLOW, FOR YOU CAN EAT TRUE LAW, DRINK TRUE LAW, BREATHE TRUE LAW
 ILLEGALLY, UNPROFESSIONALLY, SO CALLED UNDERAGE OR OVER, BUT ANY EXCESS,
 DISTORTED, INDUSTRIAL CONDITION OF THIS PRINCIPLE AND IT IS HAZARDOUS
 NO MATTER WHAT AGE YOU ARE, THE PRINCIPLE OF NECESSITY EXISTS TO BE
 ENGAGED, APPLIED, NOT TO BE IGNORED, DISMISSED, FREEDOM IS NECESSARY,
NATURAL RIGHT IS NECESSARY, SELF DEFENSE IS NECESSARY, SOCIETY HAS COME
 FAR AND DONE NOTHING, IT BREEDS INDUSTRY, CLOANS POLITICIANS, PROVOKED
 POOR FOLKS AND CREATED THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM, YOU JUDGES SOCIETY HAVE
 SPAWNED GOT ALL KINDS OF TRICKS YALL DECEIVE FOLKS WITH, IF YOU DON'T
 GET FOLKS ONE WAY YOU GET 'EM ANOTHER, THIS STUFF ABOUT PROCEDURAL
 QUESTIONS IS A TRICK, FOR WHEN A PERSON'S LIFE LOVE FREEDOM'S THREATENED,

PROCEDURE IS ONLY AS RELEVANT AS THE PERSON'S DEFENSE, FOR WHEN MOVE IS DEFENDING OURSELVES ANY SO CALLED QUESTION IS PROCEDURAL IN OUR SELF DEFENSE, WHEN YOU JUDGES DEMAND PEOPLE ARE TO FOLLOW YOUR PROCEDURES TO DEFEND THEMSELVES IN COURT YOU ARE DEMANDING THAT PEOPLE GIVE UP THEIR OWN PROCEDURE, MOVE'S AGAINST THE SYSTEM, WE'VE MADE IT CLEAR THAT WE'RE AGAINST THE SYSTEM, WE AIN'T BENEFITTING NOTHING WHEN WE DO THINGS AS THE SYSTEM INSTEAD OF AS MOVE, YOUR WAY IS TO STOP US, OUR WAY IS TO STOP YOU, SO HOW CAN WE BENEFIT BY YOU, BY DOING THINGS AS YOU, IT AIN'T JUST A QUESTION OF MOVE AGAINST THE COURT, IT IS A ISSUE OF MOVE AGAINST THE SYSTEM, AND IT AIN'T PROCEDURE TO HELP WHAT YOU'RE AGAINST AND YOU JUDGES KNOW IT, WE'RE AGAINST THE SYSTEM, YOU WANT TO STOP US AND TO ASK US TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR PROCEDURE IS TO HELP YOU STOP US, VOLUNTEER OUR FREEDOM, TO BE IMPRISONED, PUT HANDCUFFS ON OUR WRISTS AND LOCK OUR OWN SELVES UP, HOW ELSE CAN IT BE, YOU AIN'T FOR US YOU'RE AGAINST US, THIS AIN'T A QUESTION OF THE SYSTEM VS. THE SYSTEM, THIS IS A VERY CLEAR ISSUE OF THE MOVE ORGANIZATION VERSUS EVERYTHING YOU JUDGES STAND FOR, YALL AIN'T JUST JUDGES, YOU ARE CLANS-
MEN, VIGILANTES, ASSASSIN SUPERVISORS, YOU JUDGES ARE EXECUTION
MANAGERS, GENOCIDAL DIRECTORS, EXTERMINATING OVERSEERS, KILL MERCHANTS. YOU ARE THE 5 YR. OPINION OF A BROTHER'S FREEDOM, 10 YR. OPINION OF A SISTER'S FREEDOM, THE 25 YR. SENTENCE OF A FATHER'S FREEDOM AND THE 40 YR. GRIEF OF THE MOTHER, THE WIFE, YOUR OPINION HAVE SENT BLACK FOLKS TO THE GAS CHAMBER, PUERTO RICANS TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR, INDIANS TO A HANGING DEATH AND FOUR WHITE FOLKS TO A FIRING SQUAD, YOU HAVE OPINIONATED THE LIVES OF MOTHER'S, OPINIONATED THE FREEDOM OF FATHERS, OPINIONATED THE DIRECTION OF CHILDREN, OPINIONATED THE DEATH AND WORTH OF ALL POOR FOLKS, LIFE IS IMPORTANT, DIRECTION IS URGENT, FREEDOM IS GOD GIVEN, IT AIN'T TO BE TAKEN AWAY BY SOME JUDGE'S OPINION, YOU JUDGES HAVE CONSTANTLY THROWN THE DEMANDS OF RICH FOLKS ON POOR FOLKS AND THROWN THE RIGHTS OF POOR FOLKS IN JAIL, YOU AIN'T HERE AS AN ARBITRATOR OF THE COURT, BUT A COORDINATOR OF MOVE'S LYCHING, YOU'RE HERE TO OBJECT TO MOVE, SUSTAIN WHEN YOU THINK YALL GOT SOMETHING GOING, OVERRULE EVERYTHING THE MOVE ORG. SAYS WHEN IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PERSON REPRESENTING THE SYSTEM, BUT YOU DON'T OVERRULE NOTHING IN MOVE'S INTEREST, WHEN WE TELL THE TRUTH IT'S OBJECTED TO, WHEN YALL STATE A SO CALLED FACT IT IS SUSTAINED, WHEN WE MAKE A POINT IT IS OVERRULED

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AND WHEN YOU THINK WE HAVE NO POINT IT'S ALLOWED, YOU DON'T CARE NOTHING ABOUT MOVE GETTIN JUSTICE, HOW CAN MOVE FOLKS TELL THE TRUTH IN MOVE'S DEFENSE, HAVE IT OBJECTED TO AND USE THE TRUTH AS MOVE'S DEFENSE, HOW CAN MOVE STATE A FACT IN MOVE'S DEFENSE, HAVE THE D.A. OPPOSE IT, THE JUDGE SUSTAIN IT AND USE THAT FACT AS MOVE'S DEFENSE, HOW CAN MOVE MAKE A POINT IN MOVE'S DEFENSE, HAVE IT OVERRULED AND REFER TO THAT STATEMENT AS A POINT OF DEFENSE, IF YOU'RE GOING TO OVERRULE THE TRUTH WHAT IS LEFT OF ANYBODY'S DEFENSE, WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE COURT IF YOU AIN'T HERE TO RULE IN FAVOR OF WHAT IS RIGHT AND AGAINST WHAT IS WRONG, YOU CLAIM TO HAVE THE MOVE ORGANIZATION IN COURT FOR DOIN WRONG AND WHEN WE SPEAK THE TRUTH IN OUR DEFENSE YOU STILL CLAIM WE'RE WRONG CAUSE YOU OVERRULE US, ACCORDING TO YOU THE MOVE ORGANIZATION COMMITTED A CRIME BUT UNLESS MOVE USES THE CRIME-ORIENTED LANGUAGE, UNTRUSTWORTHY TERMS, DISPLAY THE KIND OF CHARACTER YOU CLAIM WE ARE LOCKED UP FOR, YOU OBJECT TO US, YOU OBJECT TO MOVE TELLING THE TRUTH, THE D.A. OPPOSES MOVE, YOU SUSTAIN HIM, YOU OVERRULE THE TRUTH, CAUSE YOU REALLY DON'T WANT TO HEAR THE TRUTH, YOU WANT TO FOOL AROUND WITH WORDS THAT ARE DISGUISED AS TRUTH, YET EVERYTIME THIS TRIAL STARTS YOU WANT TO DEMAND THAT PEOPLE PUT THEIR HANDS ON THAT BIBLE AND SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, TRUTH AIN'T A MEANING TO YOU IT IS A WORD, AN UTTERANCE, PROCEDURAL TOY TO MAKE JUSTICE APPEAR TO BE THE AIM OF THE COURT, BUT JUSTICE AIN'T THE AIM OF THE COURT, ANYTIME THE WORD LIE EXISTS IN YOUR SYSTEM, YOUR SYSTEM IS JUST AS THE WORD IT CREATED, YOU CAN HAVE WORDS LIKE TRUTH IN YOUR SYSTEM BUT WHEN YOUR SYSTEM AIN'T TRUE, THE TERM TRUTH IS JUST ANOTHER EXPRESSION OF THE WORD LIE, THE MOVE ORG. STANDS IN YOUR COURTS TELLIN YOU JUDGES THE TRUTH CONSTANTLY, BUT YOU WILL INTERPRET IT AS A LIE BECAUSE YOUR INTERPRETATION COMES FROM THE LIE AND WHEN YOUR REFERENCE, YOUR SYSTEM IS A FRAUD, THE INTERPRETATION YOU GET FROM YOUR REFERENCE ABOUT ANYTHING WILL BE FRAUDULENT, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO INTERPRET THINGS ANY OTHER WAY, YOU CANNOT INTERPRETATE THE MEANING OF ABSOLUTE UNLESS YOU COME FROM A REFERENCE OF ABSOLUTION, AND YOU DON'T, YOUR SYSTEM DON'T, IT HAS STATED IT AIN'T PERFECT, AIN'T ALL THE WAY, AIN'T CERTAIN, AIN'T TRUTHFUL, STATED AIN'T NO SUCH THING AS THE ABSOLUTE, NO SUCH THING AS THE TRUTH, BUT YOU JUDGES SIT IN COURT TRYIN TO APPEAR TO BE MAKIN AN ABSOLUTE JUDGEMENT, WHAT MAKES YOU JUDGES ANY DIFFERENT THAN ANYBODY ELSE IF AFTER ALL THE PROCEDURAL FOOLISHNESS IS OVER YOU GOT TO GUESS ABOUT THE STATE OF THE TRIAL,

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SPECULATE ABOUT THE GUILT OF A PERSON, GAMBLE WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF FREEDOM BY THEORIZING, CHANCING, PULLIN STRAWS TO SEE HOW YOU'RE GONNA RULE, YOU AIN'T DOIN NOthin NO DIFFERENT THAN THE SPECTATORS OF THE TRIAL, YOU'RE GUESSIN AND THEY'RE GUESSIN, BUT THAT IS ONLY WHEN IT'S POOR FOLKS OPPOSING POOR FOLKS, WHEN IT IS POOR FOLKS VERSUS RICH FOLKS, OR SOME COP OR ONE OF YOU JUDGES, THEN YOU JUDGES AIN'T GOTTA SPECULATE, NOT BECAUSE YOU GOT THE TRUTH BUT BECAUSE THE VERDICT HAS ALREADY BEEN ARRANGED, IF YOU'RE GOING TO ATTEMPT TO INVALIDATE MOVE'S STATEMENTS OF SELF DEFENSE BY YOUR OBJECTION, OVERRULING, SUSTAINING THE D.A. PROCEDURE IT AIN'T POSSIBLE FOR A MOVE DEPENDENT TO PROCEED JUSTLY, FOR IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE THE INTERPRETOR OF THE STATEMENTS OF MOVE, YOU AIN'T TALKIN ABOUT JUSTICE, ABOUT FREEDOM, YOU'RE TALKIN ABOUT YOUR STANDARDS, YOUR SYSTEM, FOR NO MATTER WHAT MOVE SAYS, NO MATTER HOW TRUE IT IS, HOW FACTURAL IT IS, HOW ABSOLUTE IT RINGS, WHEN IT IS AGAINST YOUR STANDARDS YOU'RE GONNA OVERRULE IT AND WHEN THE MOVE ORG. HAS GOT TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR PROCEDURES TO CONDUCT MOVE'S DEFENSE YOU DON'T NEED THIS COURTROOM, THE OUTCOME IS ALREADY ESTABLISHED, OBJECTIONS ARE COUNTERFEIT, SUSTAIN IS A FRAUD, OVERRULE IS A TOTAL INVALID DEDUCTION, CAUSE CAN'T NOBODY REALLY USE THIS PROCEDURE BUT THE SYSTEM, YOU'LL SAY THAT ANYBODY HAS THE RIGHT TO OBJECT, BUT THAT TOO IS A TRICK CAUSE AS LONG AS YOU CAN OVERRULE FOLKS AT WILL THE RIGHT OF OBJECTION IS NULLIFIED, RELEGATED TO A PROCEDURAL SHAM TO MAKE IT APPEAR THAT THE COURTS ARE JUST, YOU CAN SIT ON THAT BENCH AND LET A PERSON OBJECT ALL DAY BUT YOU GOT THE AUTHORITY TO OVERRULE THAT OBJECTION SO IT DON'T MEAN NOthin, CAUSE WHEN YOU SEE INDICTING EXAMPLES STARTING YOU CAN STOP 'EM, IT IS THE SAME THING AS YOUR FREEDOM OF SPEECH, YOU'LL SAY PEOPLE CAN SPEAK FREELY UNTIL THE SPEECH BEGINS TO THREATEN YOUR IDEA OF SO CALLED FREEDOM, THEN FOLKS AIN'T PRHE TO SPEAK, THEY'RE KICKED, PUNCHED, CLUBBED, STOMPED, HANDCUFFED, SHOT, JAILED BY THE COPS, AND JAILED AGAIN BY YOU JUDGES WHEN THE TRIAL TAKES PLACE, YOU GOT ALL KINDS OF THINGS IN YOUR SO CALLED LAWS YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN, THIS WHOLE PROCEDURE IS A FRAUD, A SHAM, A CONTRADICTION TO EVERYTHING TRUE LAW IS ABOUT, YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN HOW YOU CAN SAY THAT A PERSON IS INNOCENT TILL FOUND GUILTY WHILE BEATIN, SHOOTIN, HANDCUFFIN, JAILIN PEOPLE BEFORE THE TRIAL, YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN HOW YOU CAN SAY THAT A PERSON CAN'T BE JUDGED TILL THEY GO TO COURT, WHEN AT THIS VERY MINUTE THESE COPS ARE BEATIN, JAILIN, JUDGIN POOR FOLKS

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ALL OVER THE WORLD AT WILL, YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN HOW A COP CAN LOCK UP A PERSON ON SUSPICION WHEN IT IS THE COPS THAT ARE SUSPICIOUS AND NOT THE PERSON, JUST BECAUSE A PERSON LOOK SUSPICIOUS TO A COP DON'T MEAN THAT THE PERSON IS SUSPECT OF SOMETHIN, IT ONLY MEANS THE COP IS SUSPECT OF THAT PERSON, IT IS THE COP'S SUSPICION, THEIR SPECULATION, THEIR JUDGEMENT FORMED IN THEIR HEAD BASED ON SOME STANDARD SOCIETY INVENTED, BUT IT AIN'T GOT A THING TO DO WITH THE SUBJECT, WHY BLACK FOLKS GOTTA BE SUSPICIOUS JUST BECAUSE THE COPS ARE TAUGHT THIS, WHY PUERTO RICANS GOTTA BE SUSPICIOUS JUST BECAUSE THE COURTS ALLOW THIS, WHY INDIANS GOTTA BE SUSPICIOUS JUST BECAUSE THE SYSTEM IS PREJUDICED, WHAT DOES A SUSPICIOUS PERSON LOOK LIKE, WHAT COPS ARE TAUGHT THEY LOOK LIKE OR LIKE THEY ARE SUSPICIOUS, HOW CAN YOU VALIDATE BEING SUSPICIOUS OF BLACK FOLKS WHO AIN'T GUILTY OF NOTHIN AND LOOK ON A PERSON LIKE NIXON LIKE HE'S INNOCENT, CLEAN, YOU DON'T SEE A SUSPICIOUS PERSON WHEN YOU LOOK AT A PERSON, YOU SEE JUST WHAT YOU BEEN TAUGHT TO SEE, SEE BLACK FOLKS GANG WARING, DRINKIN WINE, TAKIN SCAG, BREAKIN IN HOUSES, SEE PUERTO RICANS DOIN THE SAME THING, LOOK AT INDIANS EVEN WORSE AND LOOK AT THE GANGSTERS THAT STOLE THE COUNTRY FROM THE INDIANS AS IF THEY ARE THE VICTIMS, ADDRESSING THIEVING POLITICIANS AS SIR, TREATING INDUSTRIAL EMBEZZELERS WITH RESPECT, TREATIN THESE BIG SHOT DOCTORS THAT GO AROUND CUTTIN A WOMAN'S PRODUCTIVE ORGANS OUT FOR NOTHIN LIKE THEY'RE THE CLEANEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD, LOOK AT THESE RICH WHITE MILLIONAIRES RUNNIN THE COUNTRY, THAT HAVE LIED, STOLEN, KILLED, CAUSED WARS, CRIMINAL EXPLOITED THE GOD GIVEN RICHES OF THE ENTIRE EARTH LIKE THEY'RE ABOVE THE SLIGHTEST SUSPICION OF CRIME, YOU SEE A NIGGA ROBBIN A BANK BUT YOU'RE BLIND TO THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED IT, YOU SEE PUERTO RICANS STEALIN A CAR BUT YOU'RE BLIND TO THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED IT, YOU SEE A INDIAN COMMANDING A WOUNDED KNEE BUT YOU'RE BLIND TO THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED IT, YOU LOOK AT THE DOPE ADDICT BUT YOU OVERLOOK THE INVENTOR OF DOPE, YOU LOOK DOWN ON AN ALCOHOLIC BUT YOU LOOK UP TO INDUSTRY THAT SELL IT, YOU SPIT ON THE WAY OF THE PROSTITUTE BUT YOU CLOSE YOUR EYES TO THE CREATOR OF PROSTITUTION, YOU ENDORSE INDUSTRY AND REJECT THE WORKER, YOU JAIL RADICALS AND DISMISS THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED THEM, YOU SUPPORT THE CIA AND REJECT IT'S VICTIMS, YOU DANCE WITH THE UPPER CLASS, DANCE WITH THE MIDDLE, DANCE TO THE RICH AND DANCE ON THE POOR, SUSPICION TEACHES YOU TO SEE RACISM, SEXISM, BIGOTRY, BIASNESS, SEE BLACK

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NIGGAS, DUMB BITCHES, STUPID SPICS, DRUNKEN INDIANS, YOU SEE THE SLUMS
AT 12 & WALLACE, THE GHETTOS OF 36 & MT. VERNON, THE CONCENTRATION
CAMPS OF 30 & TASKER, AND THE RIZZO-ORIENTED GESTAPO SURROUNDING THEM,
YOU SEE THE RIOTS OF NEWARK, THE RIOTS OF HARLEM, THE RIOTS OF DETROIT,
~~THE RIOTS OF NEWARK, THE RIOTS OF HARLEM, THE RIOTS OF DETROIT,~~ THE
RIOTS OF WATTS, SEE THE RIOTS OF N. CAROLINA, S. CAROLINA, MISSISSIPPI,
ALABAMA, YOU SAW THE POLLY OF VIETNAM, THE DEAD BODIES IT SENT HOME,
THE PROTEST IT CAUSED AND THE KENT STATES THAT FOLLOWED, YOU LOOK AT
THE LIE AND CALL IT THE TRUTH, LOOK AT THE TRUTH AND CALL IT A LIE,
LOOK AT ABSOLUTION AND CALL IT INSANE, LOOK AT SUSPICION AND CALL IT
THE LAW, CALL OVERRULE ONE THING, OBJECTION ANOTHER AND SUSTAIN STILL
SOMETHING ELSE, YET ALL OF THEM WORDS ARE HOOKED UP AGAINST POOR FOLKS,
WHEN A POOR PERSON STATES SOMETHING AND YOUR SYSTEM OBJECT TO IT, YOU'RE
GOING AGAINST THAT PERSON, YOU TELL A POOR PERSON THEY GOT THE RIGHT
TO OBJECT, BUT AS LONG AS THAT PERSON CAN BE OVERRULED BY YOU AND CAN'T
OBJECT TO YOU, OVERRULE YOU, YOU GOING AGAINST THAT PERSON, WHEN MOVE
STATES A FACT IN MOVE'S DEFENSE, WHEN THE D.A. OBJECTS TO IT AND YOU
AS THE JUDGE SUSTAINS IT, YOU ARE SUSTAINING THE MOVE ORGANIZATION,
THOUGH NOT IN A WAY YOU UNDERSTAND, CAUSE JUST LIKE THE OBJECTIONS AND
THE OVERRULINGS, IN AGREEING WITH THE PROSECUTOR BY SUSTAINING HIS
OBJECTIONS YOU HAVE AGAIN OVERRULED MOVE, YOU SIMPLY USED A SO CALLED
DIFFERENT WORD CAUSE IN GOING ALONG WITH THE PROSECUTOR YOU WENT AGAINST
MOVE, THAT WORD CALLED SUSTAIN AIN'T NOTHIN MORE THAN ANOTHER WAY OF
OVERRULING THE MOVE ORGANIZATION AND IF YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND THAT.....
UNDERSTAND ALL THEM PEOPLE YOU DONE SENT TO JAIL AFTER SUSTAINING MUCH
OF THEIR OBJECTIONS, FOR IF THE WORD SUSTAIN HAD ANY MEANIN AT ALL, WHY
WAS IT OVERRULED BY JAILING THE PERSON YOU GRANTED ALL THAT SUSTAINING
TO, AND AS FAR AS THAT OBJECTION IS CONCERNED, THAT WORD AIN'T NOTHIN
BUT A WEAPON FOR THE RICH AND A WHIPPIN FOR THE POOR, JUST AS THAT WORD
OVERRULE, FOR AS LONG AS YOU ARE ALLOWED TO OVERRULE ANYTHING YOU SEE
AS INVALID WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS, YOU CAN SLANT THE CASE ANY WAY YOU WANT
TO AND THAT'S JUST WHAT YOU JUDGES DO, SLANT IT WITH THE RICH AND AGAINST
THE POOR, CAUSE WHEN IT'S A CASE OF THE RICH VS. THE POOR EVERY WORD
OF ANY CONSEQUENCE, EVERY UPTERENCE THAT SEEMS LIKE IT MIGHT MAKE A
POINT, EVERY TERM THAT SOUNDS INDICTING IS OVERRULED BY YOU CROCKED,
INDUSTRY-ORIENTED JUDGES, AS LONG AS YOU GOT THE AUTHORITY TO OVERRULE
PEOPLE AT WILL, RICH FOLKS DON'T NEED NO LAWYER, THEY CAN GET A TRAINED

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MONKEY TO HOLD UP READING CARDS IN THEIR CLIENT'S DEFENSE AND WHAT THE MONKEY DON'T FINISH YOU JUDGES WILL, THAT OVERRULIN FOOLISHNESS AIN'T NO ACCIDENT, THAT PROCEDURE IS A SHAM, A TRICK, A PLOT PLANNED BY THE SYSTEM TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE WHO RUN THIS FILTHY SYSTEM, THESE COURTS IS USING THE BLINDING DECEPTION OF LEGAL TO KEEP POOR FOLKS LIKE A STABLE BOY KEEPS HORSES, A FARMER KEEPS CATTLE, A SHEPPARD KEEPS SHEEP, FOR LIKE THE STABLE BOY, THE FARMER, THE SHEPPARD, THIS SYSTEM KEEPS POOR FOLKS CORRALLED, ENSLAVED, DEPENDENT, MISLED, YOU HAVE MISLED FOLKS IN COURT, MISLED FOLKS IN CHURCH, MISLED FOLKS IN SCHOOL, THE SYSTEM MISLED FOLKS ON JOBS, A PRACTICE THAT IS COMPOUNDED AT HOME BY PARENTS WHO HAVE BEEN MISLED BY THEIR MOTHERS AND FATHERS WHO HAVE THEMSELVES BEEN MISLED BY THE SAME SYSTEM OF THINGS THAT IS NOW MISLEADING THEIR CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND MORE, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CAN JUST AS EASILY BE KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN POISON, FOR THE COURTS OF THE LAND IS A CANCER TO EARTH, IT IS THE POLLUTION IN OUR AIR, THE DILUTION IN OUR WATER, THE DISTORTION IN OUR SOIL AND THE SICKNESS IN OUR CHILDREN, IT IS THE SUPERIOR MAN AND THE INFERIOR WOMAN, THE PROTECTOR OF WHITE FOLKS AND ENSLAVEN OF BLACKS, A JEWEL OF THE RICH AND A JAIL TERM OF OTHERS, IT IS THE QUARTERBACK OF POLITICS, THE HALFBACK OF SMALL BUSINESS, THE FULLBACK OF BIG BUSINESS AND THE WHOLE TEAM OF INDUSTRY, THE COURTS HAVE RAISED HOPE, SPIT DISAPPOINTMENT, COURTED THE RICH AND PROTECTED THEIR INTEREST, IT IS PAST TIME FOR ALL POOR PEOPLE TO RELEASE THEMSELVES FROM THE DECEPTIVE STRANGULATION OF SOCIETY, REALIZE THAT SOCIETY HAS FAILED YOU, FOR TO ATTEMPT TO IGNORE THIS SYSTEM OF DECEPTION NOW IS TO DENY YOU THE NEED TO PROTEST THIS FAILURE LATER, THE SYSTEM HAS FAILED YOU YESTERDAY, FAILED YOU TODAY AND HAVE CREATED THE CONDITIONS FOR FAILURE TOMORROW, FOR SOCIETY IS WRONG, THE SYSTEM IS REELIN, THE COURTS OF THIS COMPLEX ARE FILLED WITH IMBALANCE, COPS ARE INSANE, THE JUDGES ENSLAVIN, THE LAWYERS ARE JUST AS THE JUDGES THEY CONFRONT, THEY ARE HARVARD AND PRINCETON AND CORNELL AND YALE AND TRAINED AS THE JUDGE TO DECEIVE THE IMPOVERISHED, TRAINED AS THE JUDGE TO PROTECT THE ESTABLISHED, TRAINED BY THE SYSTEM TO BE AS THE SYSTEM, TO DO FOR THE SYSTEM, EXPLOIT WITH THE SYSTEM AND MOVE AIN'T GONNA CLOSE OUR EYES TO THIS MONSTER, FRAUD IS TEMPORARY BUT REALITY IS LASTING AND BECAUSE THE WORD THAT MOVE IS TAUGHT TO SPEAK IS REAL, IT GRIPS YOU IN A WAY THAT YOU'VE NEVER BEEN GRIPPED BEFORE,

AND THE MORE YOU HEAR THE TIGHTER THE GRIP, EVEN AS YOU READ OR HEAR WHAT-IS BEING SAID ON THESE PAGES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE THE GRIP OF TRUTH AS JUST DESCRIBED, FOR WHILE THE LIE ONLY SCARS THE ENTRANCE TO THE MIND, THE TRUTH ERASES THE LIE AND IMPLANTS ITSELF IN THE MIND FOREVER, FOR THE POWER OF TRUTH GRIPS YOU FOREVER NO MATTER HOW EVIL YOUR LIES, YOUR RULES, YOUR COURTS, FOR TRUTH IS THE POWER THAT OVERRIDES EVIL, THE STORM THAT ROLLS OVER YOUR RULES DESPITE COURTS, THE QUAKE THAT SHAKES LOOSE YOUR COURT DESPITE RULES, THE BLIZZARD THAT BEATS DOWN YOUR COURTS AND YOUR RULES, DESPITE HOW YOU JUDGES SEE MOVE'S CHANCE OF WINNING, MOVE AIN'T GOT THAT WORRY CAUSE CHANCE AIN'T OUR REFERENCE, YOU THINK YOU CAN STOP US BECAUSE YOU BEEN TAUGHT THIS BUT YOU WERE TAUGHT ALSO THAT YOU CONTROL NATURE, REMEMBER HOW WATER SEEMS PENT IN AND TRAPPED TILL THE DAM BREAKS AND CRUMBLES AND DIES LIKE IT'S MAKER, TO BLOCKADE LIFE'S PLAN IS CRUEL, FATAL, BLIND, DEADLY TO THOSE THAT IMPRISON THE FORCE TO BE FREE, THIS SYSTEM HAVE MISLED PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT THEY CAN'T LIVE COMFORTABLY WITH THE SINGLE PRINCIPLE OF GOD AND CAN'T LIVE COMFORTABLY WITHOUT THE MULTI PROBLEMS OF INDUSTRY, FOR THE SYSTEM HAS CREATED A POLICY OF SICKNESS, TRICKED FOLKS INTO BELIEVING THAT THEY CAN'T DO WITHOUT INDUSTRY AND USED THE PRESIDENT, THE CONGRESS, THE SENATE, THE COURTS TO KEEP FOLKS THIS WAY, THIS THING AIN'T A GAME TO THE MOVE ORGANIZATION, IT AIN'T A HIGH, A TRIP, A MIND CALASTHERNIC, A PUBLICITY ORGASM, THIS THING IS VERY SERIOUS, MOVE IS VERY SERIOUS, IT IS INSANE NOT TO RESIST SOMETHING THAT GIVES NOTHIN BUT SICKNESS TO YOU, YOUR MOTHER'S, YOUR FATHER'S, YOUR BABIES, YOUR FAMILY, AND THE MOVE ORGANIZATION AIN'T ACCEPTING IT FROM NOBODY, THIS SYSTEM IS FINISHED, DON'T BE FOOLED BY THE MOVE ORG.'S NUMBERS, IF YOU JUDGES FIND THIS HARD TO UNDERSTAND, UNDER-STAND THIS, YOU WILL NEVER STOP THE MOVE ORG., AND IF YOU WANT TO CONFIRM THIS LOOK AT MOVE'S HISTORY. LOOK AT ALL THE THINGS YALL HAVE DONE TO MOVE TO TRY AND KILL US OFF AND EXPLAIN TO YOURSELVES WHY MOVE JUST GET'S STRONGER, ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS TO MOVE HAPPENS BECAUSE IT IS NECESSARY TO HAPPEN, YOU ARE NOT EXPECTED TO UNDERSTAND THIS BUT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ACCEPT THIS BECAUSE IT IS A FACT, MOVE IS STRONGER THEN EVER DESPITE YALL, THE MOVE ORG. AIN'T JUST A THING YOU JUDGES AND COPS CAN SEE, THE POWER OF MOVE IS THE FORCE YOU CAN'T SEE.

The Move ORGANIZATION AIN'T GUILTY OF NOTHING AND YOU JUDGES KNOW IT !

FOR AFRICA

Some questions about MOVE Edward Africa responds

When and how did MOVE start?

The MOVE organization began in the late '60s by our co-ordinator John Africa. John Africa gave the understanding of revolution to all he met, educated people - people from the street, drug addicts, alcoholics, teachers, students, thieves, scientists, all backgrounds, all races - they had one thing in common, they were searching for answers. John Africa gave them answers, solutions through the understanding of true revolution. John Africa teaches that true revolution is not killing cops, blowing up buildings, terrorism, revolution is the clearing up of violence, terrorism, from the government and all others, revolution will bring the criminal as well as the cop to their senses, make them both see who the real criminal is, this system! Revolution is the understanding of what's right, what's true and doing the work to apply it.

What does MOVE mean?

MOVE's name means activity, action, movement, get up and start doing something, Action! ["MOVE" is not an acronym, eds.]

What about animals?

MOVE people believe all of life is equal, all coming from God, Mamma, Nature, animals were not put here for man's sport, they have a purpose in life just as men and women, the abuse of any form of life is reflected, felt in all of life. All of life is connected, bound together by the Law, a law that gives just as much value to an animal's life as any other.

Back to nature?

MOVE is not a "back to nature" group as we have never left nature. Our lifestyle is to come as close to a part of the Laws of Life, nature as much as possible, we are of nature and totally dependent on nature. As nature is the air you breathe, the water you drink, the food you consume is nature, the sun that warms you, the very earth you walk on is nature so to think that you can separate yourself from nature is wrong, foolish, dangerous, and the height of arrogance!

Our diet is as much raw food as possible, fruit, vegetables. Our diet also consists of love, freedom, peace, honesty, family, this is the diet of the MOVE organization!

We do not practice systematic birth control. Birth is already controlled, controlled by God, Nature, life. Systematic birth control is a violation of life and an attack on womanhood, a system so-called solution that does not work, because of this system's preoccupation with sex and their confusion about womanhood, manhood, you now have a way of life that sacrifices babies for the sake of so-called pleasure, we of MOVE say so-called pleasure because there is nothing pleasurable about the poisoning of a woman's body because of the aimless want for sex!

The system gives out vaccinations as an answer to diseases, but it is the system's violations that caused the diseases in the first place, and like all the system's answers, it's nothing more than a band-aid to cover up the problem, not solve it. We of MOVE practice a healthy style of life and when you live right, mental and physical you will not get sick.

Our appearance is that of health, strength, honesty; we don't use cosmetics or any chemicals to change our appearance, our hair grows as nature intended, we wear clothing according to the weather, not fashion!

Technology is opposed to life and poisons life. MOVE is opposed to technology, people have had technology forced on them until they've become addicted to it, dependent on it, taught to place value in it when in reality technology is slowly polluting,

poisoning, distorting life; air pollution is technological, water pollution is technological, scientific, earth pollution is technological, it is the taking of life and twisting, reshaping it into something dead and poisonous! As technology increases its spread over the planet so does the poison, pollution, sickness. If you go back you will see the less technology, the less poison, it is the attempted replacement of life.

Who are MOVE people and are they only Black?

MOVE is made up of life, Black, White, Spanish, Oriental, whatever, we of MOVE do not believe in color, race, there are members of all races in MOVE. The system pushes the lie that MOVE is Black to discourage people of other races by implying we're a Black organization, the system hopes to keep people from learning the truth about this cold callous way of life that people are trying to escape from, so they attempt to keep people away by saying we are a racial organization: MOVE is not! It is foolish to think you can solve the problems of one particular race and ignore the rest, the problems facing life affect everyone, there are no Black problems, White problems, color does not determine the ability to understand; honesty, morality, the ability to be right is instilled in all of life, it is man's systems that discourage these attributes, this system looks down on honesty, scoffs at morality, ridicules righteousness, perfection. MOVE has the understanding of all these things, we know what perfection is, understand honesty, morality, loyalty, this is what John Africa teaches, there is only one race, the race of life!

Racism is a system-created disease, a sickness designed to place one race above another, the purpose being enslavement, bondage, based on the false theory of superiority, this theory was created by confused, schizophrenic system folk to make themselves seem more important than everyone else, every race has made this claim, claimed to be God's chosen, but a God that does not believe in equality is a criminal God! How can this type of God claim perfection while schizophrenically showing bias, prejudice, sexism? It is a lie! Life is equal, perfection is possible in all of life. Racism, sexism, prejudice are the tools of oppression, slavery, designed not to make things right but to continue the pain, the death, the rape of God's system, the true system of life! God, Mamma, Nature created all life equally, without prejudice, all of life has a purpose, a right to exist without the imposition of this system and its confusion, enslavement, diseases!

Women?

Women are seen no different than men, both are equal, both must do the work to be right. There are no female jobs in revolution, no male jobs in revolution, there is only activity. Women, men have the same needs, are dependent upon each other to exist, the idea that man is superior is just that, an idea, a theory and ideas, theories are nothing more than guesses, opinions, not fact!

Abortion is the killing of life and MOVE is opposed to murder, abortion is the result of the violation of man's system, it is an attempt to solve the confusion about mating, marriage, unity, it is only a band-aid that covers the problem, the root cause still exists! How can killing be an answer to anything! What must be realized is that when the roots are cancerous, the stems will be poison and so it is with this system, man will cause problems through his confusion, his misunderstanding of life, then devise some quick fix, overlooking the root, the cause of the problem so the problem that abortion was supposed to solve still exists!

This system of man's does not work, and will only get worse, more diseased, peo-

ple are constantly complaining about this or that, and will continue to cause the answers you seek can not be found in the system, a system that is in constant conflict with life, at war with itself, how can you find happiness, satisfaction, fulfillment, under this type of confusion, conflict between nations, war between races, religions, at war with your husband, your wife, your children, your neighbor, your boss, when does the conflict stop and the love begin? See you are suffering, being punished because you are being denied life's necessities, denied by this system.



To quote John Africa: "You see, love is food, freedom is food, peace is food, you must have it just as surely as food you see as food and you will not be content until you get it, this is why you are punished, you are punished for trying to live without love, without peace, without freedom and because you need this as surely as the air you breathe, you will constantly seek it through expressions that are interpreted as criminal. For you are punished for not having your full diet and punished by the system when you seek to get it." Long live John Africa!

MOVE's belief is the truth. John Africa teaches that when you mix with truth, you will be as truth, a true person is a fit person, a fit person is a person free of the unfitness that causes unsatisfaction, if you can see that you would run from a house on fire then you should see that you should run from anything you wanna do that involves this system, 'cause the house fire is the same as the things you are taught are safe: movies, parties, drugs - they're all diversions supplied by this system to attempt to keep your mind off the pain of this system! We of MOVE know this system does not work; war, rape, pollution, pornography, prostitution are just symptoms of this system's poisonous way of life, but we of MOVE ain't fooled by these diversions. To quote John Africa:

"MOVE people is doing the work of God, we do it cause it's right to do the work of God, we do right cause we wanna feel right, we wanna feel clean, we wanna feel loyal, we don't wanna feel dirty, the people in this system have tried to stop us from doing the work of God and they have put the curse of suffering on themselves, I know it appears that MOVE is the one doing the suffering but that is when you use the interpretation of those that are untrue, but remember the interpretation of truth is truth! When you are right you are not wrong, no matter how people interpret your position, until you are wrong you are not wrong, when an evil person attempts to interpret a righteous person, the interpretation will be as evil as the person that is giving it, for when a wicked person judges a godly person the judgment will be wicked but it won't tell you a thing about the person being judged!"

We of MOVE are a strong family of revolutionaries, our activity is to give out information for the purpose of revolution and gather information for revolution. We invite anyone to check us out, question our answers, make us qualify our position and once we have, accept it and pass it on!

In MOVE law we trust
All praises to the order of Life
the power of truth is Final
Long live MOVE
Long live John Africa's revolution
Long live John Africa!

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(Editor's Note: The position taken in this article against birth control and abortion stimulated a discussion of Bulldozer editorial policy. We decided to add this note to state our own position as being in favour of women's choice on these issues. We respect MOVE's position and especially the strength and commitment of MOVE women, but see the subject of birth control and abortion as very controversial and complex, involving issues of women's control of their bodies which go far back in history. We are opposed to all forms of social control via control of women's bodies by the state, by economic "necessity", or by individual men, including rape, forced sterilization, forced abortion, forced surrogate motherhood, harmful reproductive technologies, etc.)

Religious freedom

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conduct. We feel the treatment we have been subjected to will continue until the administrators and staff recognize and respect that their duty in regard to the religious practice of prisoners must encompass equality for all to practice their chosen religious faith.

Therefore, we decided that the only recourse, at this time, was to take drastic action. So, as of January 4, 1993, the date the new schedule took effect, the members of the Islamic faith at this Institution began a religious protest consisting of a religious fast and a vow not to attend any of the services offered at the Al-Faith Chapel. We intend to do this collectively until the equality of opportunity to practice our religion is established and recognition of our right to be respected as human beings is restored.

We realize that there will be an unfavorable response to this form of protest but we are prepared to make whatever sacrifice is necessary. The reason we are writing to you is to call your attention to the situation as a means of exposing these injustices and perhaps gaining some much needed support for our cause.

We hope that your concern and prompt response will prevent any improper retaliation. We are almost certain that if no outside interest is forthcoming, a bad situation will get worse and will be seen as an "O.K." for the officials here to continue to make a mockery of our human and Constitutional rights.

We realize as prisoners that there are certain rights, when we enter prison, which are lost but we believe that society will not allow the Institutions to practice such religious intolerance and discrimination.

If you would like to help, or get further information, please contact the undersigned. Thank you for your time. We would be grateful for any assistance you can provide in this matter. =

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Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Letters protesting the lack of religious freedom should be sent to:
Warden, Jefferson City Correctional Centre
P.O. Box 900
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THE MOVE ORGANIZATION is a seriously committed family of revolutionaries of revolution founded and coordinated by JOHN AFRICA, a wise, perceptive, strategic mind-ed, and black man. JOHN AFRICA coordinate MOVE people to believe in one thing, LIFE, because JOHN AFRICA has the absolute understanding that LIFE is the priority, that nothing is more important or even as important as LIFE, the force that keep us alive. JOHN AFRICA coordinate MOVE to do everything we can to protect LIFE - to protect air from pollution, water from poison, soil from toxic waste, defenseless animals from slaughter, old folks and children from abuse, and all living beings from enslavement and exploitation. JOHN AFRICA have given MOVE people the understanding that all LIFE, every living being come from the same source, so all LIFE is really the same, all living beings are equally important and serves an equally important purpose that's arranged by GOD, Mom Nature, whether man can see it or not. The Philadelphia based confrontation chapter of JOHN AFRICA's MOVE ORGANIZATION surfaced in the early 1970's with regular open "study sessions" on NATURAL LAW, the teaching of JOHN AFRICA; a car wash to raise funds for the Organization and meetings with numerous celebrities and organizations to inform them of the teaching of JOHN AFRICA. We met with such people and organizations as: The Druidic Society, The Daughters of the American Revolution, The Philadelphia Theosophical Society, Dick Gregory, Julian Bond, Walter Mondale, Daniel Ellsberg, Tom Hayden, Jane Fonda, Caesar Chavez, Russell Means, Adelle Davis, Alan Watts, William Hinton, Richie Havens, Gov. Milton Shapp, Roy Wilkins, Buckminster Fuller, Ted Kennedy, Angela Davis and The Quakers, just to name a few of the people that we had personal contact with. We also initiated hundreds of peaceful demonstrations against institutions of this system that exploit, abuse and kill living beings (children, the elderly, animals, the environment). We initiated long sustained demonstrations against homes for children and the elderly; the SPCA, Barnum and Bailey Circus, animal experimental laboratories, big industrial corporations that poison the air, water and soil. We were armed with the profound teaching of JOHN AFRICA, we were armed with the truth and when we start speaking the truth, start exposing what these institutions are doing to people, animals, to Mom Nature, the people running the institution we were demonstrating against saw they had no defense against the truth JOHN AFRICA armed us with but at the same time they had no intention of taking one single step to stop the step wrong they're doing to LIFE. They got so messed up that all they wanted to do is shut us up, stop us, so they could keep on exploiting, abusing, killing, LIFE without being made to face what they're doing. The people running the people

institutions we protested would demand that we shut up and leave and when we refused, when we kept on exposing them with the truth, they'd call the cops on us to shut us up and get rid of us. When the cops would come, they'd automatically side with the institution we were demonstrating against and they'd tell us to leave. Our position with the cops is the same as it is with everybody else - dispute what we're saying or admit that we're telling the truth, leave us alone and address the real criminals. The cops did none of these things, what the Philadelphia police department (led by then Police Commissioner Joseph O'Neill) did was beat us up, lock us up and put all kinds of trumped up charges on us to keep us in jail. That's how MOVE people first got involved with the police and court system, by the cops and courts trying to stop us from protecting DIFE, we didn't initially just start confronting cops, judges and prison officials. When MOVE people would try to take out charges against cops that beat us bloody, the prosecutors' office (led by then District Attorney Edward Rendell) would refuse to accept our complaints. They'd say they investigated and the charges were unfounded, invalid. When we'd go before judges and tell them the truth, not only about the incident that brought us to court, but about this entire system, judges would go crazy, threaten us with contempt and ultimately call their sheriffs to attack us. We'd end up back in jail on contempt or assault charges. This led to us initiating demonstrations at individual police stations and against individual judges, at their homes. Cops would be called out to stop our demonstration (even though everybody is supposed to be guaranteed the right to peaceful protest by the U.S. Constitution) and the cops would really get vicious at these demonstrations because they're not used to people going to a judge's home and telling his neighbors how corrupt he is. Politicians and police became obsessed with eliminating this Organization, they came at us with everything they got. By 1977 MOVE people had been beat bloody and arrested hundreds of times; MOVE adults and MOVE children were attacked by cops; a number of MOVE women had been deliberately beat into miscarriage, for in the case of Rhonda Africa, she was beat so viciously when she was eight months pregnant that her baby was born with bruises all over his body and died shortly after birth. Alberta Africa who is only about five feet tall, was arrested at a peaceful demonstration when she was pregnant in April of 1975, and while at police headquarters, Alberta was held down on the floor by four big, tall white racist male cops and her legs were held spread apart while a six foot tall sick vicious black female cop repeatedly kicked her in the vagina until she miscarried. In 1976, MOVE people were standing outside our house warmly

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welcoming our sisters and brothers home that had just gotten out of jail when cops from three different police districts came screeching up to our house in their patrol cars, hollaring, screaming and swinging night sticks, beating MOVE people bloody. Janine Africa's three week old baby was deliberately knocked from her arms and trampled to death by cops, his tiny head was crushed. Janet and LeeSing Africa, two obviously pregnant MOVE women, were on their way to a store in 1973 when they were stopped by cops for no reason except that they were recognized as MOVE women. They were thrown stomach first against the side of the police van and both had miscarriages as a result of the police brutality they experienced that day. This is five innocent MOVE babies brutally murdered by cops between 1973 and 1976, and there were countless vicious beatings of MOVE people during the same period. It is these vicious beatings, the murder of our babies and the obvious fact that we can't look to this system for relief or protection from this system, that made it necessary for us to take a serious defensive stand against any further injustice and brutality aimed at us by this system. On May 20, 1977, committed MOVE people initiated a demonstration on the platform we built in front of our home and told system officials very seriously over a loudspeaker that we ain't having no more sneak attacks, no more MOVE babies murdered by cops and no more MOVE men, women or children brutalized and unjustly imprisoned by cops, prosecutors and judges. We made it clear that we believe in self defense, that we are not masochistic or suicidal, and if they came at us we were prepared to defend ourself; we also demanded the release of MOVE political prisoners that were in prison for no other reason than being MOVE members. As a result of the May 20th demonstration, Judge Lynn Abraham issued criminal arrest warrants for us on conspiracy, weapons, riot and related charges; those warrants were sought and issued even though Police Commissioner O'Neill stated publically that we committed no crime. The warrants were issued on May 24, 1977 but the Philadelphia police department did not try to come into our home and arrest us; they did not attack us like they always did before when they saw us as defenseless; they just kept our home surrounded and under close surveillance so we couldn't leave the house without being arrested on those trumped up charges. There was a year long stand-off between May 1977 and May 1978, and during that year city officials tried hard to break us; then-mayor Frank Rizzo even got a court order from the Pennsylvania Supreme Court to institute a starvation blockade in March 1978. A three block radius around our home was cordoned off, we were confined to our house and city officials denied us food and water (they shut-off our water); people were arrested

rested if they tried to give us food or water, even though there were pregnant women, breastfeeding babies and young children in our house. Because of public pressure that would not support Rizzo's tactics to persecute and starve MOVE, city officials began mediation efforts which resulted in a ten point written agreement proposed to us in May 1978. As a result of this agreement, the starvation blockade was lifted around May 8, 1978, after about 55 days, and city officials arranged the release of MOVE political prisoners as we demanded. Releasing MOVE political prisoners is the only thing city officials did, they did not comply with any of the terms of the Agreement they proposed. Things came to head on August 8, 1978; city officials had hundreds of cops armed for war, and firemen surround our home and try to kill us. They were armed with a cherry crane, a bulldozer, deluge hoses, tear gas, m-16's, shotguns, 9mm Uzis, shotguns, mini-ruger 14's and 38 service revolvers just to name a little of what was used on us. When our brother Delbert Africa, one of the last people to emerge from the house, came out with no shirt on and his hands in plain sight, showing that he was unarmed, he was viciously attacked by four stake-out cops. Although cops tried hard to kill MOVE people that day, shooting directly at MOVE people and in corners of the basement where they admit they heard babies crying, they only succeeded in killing one of their own, policeman James Ramp, and blamed it on MOVE. Nine MOVE people were tried on murder charges, each of the nine were convicted of murder, each was sentenced to thirty to one hundred years in prison and have been in prison for the past thirteen years despite the obvious innocence of every one of them.

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THE MOVE ORGANIZATION

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ALL PRAISES TO THE ORDER OF LIFE!

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Police Brutality: A Community Response

Remembering the May 1985 MOVE Bombing

MAY 11 PROGRAM

Welcome by moderators:

Askia Muhammad -- journalist, radio & tv personality
Judy Greenspan -- Freedom Now/D.C.

Speakers:

Khali Abney -- former political prisoner, New Afrikan Network in
Defense of Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War

Alberta Africa -- MOVE member

Poetry:

Kwelismith -- poet/performance artist

Statements by Political Prisoners:

Mumia Abu-Jamal and Alan Berkman

Video:

Excerpt of new video in process about Mumia Abu-Jamal and the MOVE
organization by Annie Goldson and Lamar Williams, filmmakers

Speaker:

Dhoruba bin Wahad -- former political prisoner, Campaign to Free Black
Political Prisoners in the U.S.

**This program is dedicated to the campaign to free the MOVE political
prisoners and Mumia Abu-Jamal, to stop police brutality everywhere and to
abolish the racist death penalty.**

We urge you to get involved with the following local organizations:

New Afrikan Network
P.O. Box 90604
Washington, D.C. 20090

Freedom Now/DC
P.O. Box 28191
Washington, D.C. 20038

Equal Justice/USA/Quixote Ctr.
P.O. Box 5206
Hyattsville, MD 20782

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fense of Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War; D.C. "Hands Off Cuba" Coalition; Olive Branch Catholic Worker; Washington Area War Resister's League; D.C.
White Lesbians Against Racism Everywhere (DCLARE); Washington Area Women Strike for Peace; National Conference of Black Lawyers; The Bethesda Co-op; All
People's Congress; International Committee for Peace and Reunification of Korea/DC, Refuse and Resist, Washington Peace Center.

SINCE THE MAY 13 BOMBING OF OUR MOVE FAMILY IN PHILA., THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF QUESTIONS IN PEOPLES' HEADS ABOUT THE MOVE ORGANIZATION AND MOVE'S POSITION ON MAY 13, THESE QUESTIONS ARE THE RESULT OF THE MISINFORMATION AND LIES THAT THE CITY OFFICIALS AND NEWS MEDIA HAVE BEEN PRINTING ABOUT THE MOVE ORG. AND THE MAY 13, 1985 MASSACRE OF INNOCENT MOVE CHILDREN, WOMEN, MEN AND ANIMALS. THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE QUESTIONS PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ASKING AND MOVE'S ANSWER TO THOSE QUESTIONS:

1) WELL WHAT DOES MOVE BELIEVE IN ANYWAY:

MOVE'S BELIEF IS LIFE, NATURAL LAW, WE DONT BELIEVE IN MANS REFORM WORLD SYSTEM. LIFE, NATURAL LAW WHICH IS SYNONYMOUS WITH GOD, MADE PURE AIR, CLEAN WATER, FERTILE SOIL, MADE BABIES HEALTHY AND MADE THE PRINCIPLE OF FREEDOM, EQUALITY FOR ALL LIFE TO ENJOY WITHOUT PREJUDICE OR SUPERIOR, INFERIOR. THIS IS THE LAW MOVE BELIEVE IN AND OBEY NOT MANS SO CALLED LAWS, IT IS MAN'S LAW THAT HAS CREATED AND SANCTIONED INDUSTRY THAT IS POLLUTING THE AIR, POISONING THE WATER, THE SOIL AND CAUSING THE RETARDED BABIES, DEFORMED, DISEASED ADULTS FROM THE POISON INDUSTRY, MAN CREATED AND LYING TO THE PEOPLE TO COVER UP THEIR FILTH. MOVE'S WORK IS TO EXPOSE THIS FILTH, CONFRONT AND EXPOSE IT WITH THE TRUTH, JOHN AFRICA'S TEACHING, WHICH IS WHY THIS SYSTEM HAVE BEEN BEATING, JAILING, KILLING MOVE PEOPLE, KILLING MOVE BABIES, PERSECUTING THE MOVE ORG. FOR 17 YRS. TO TRY TO STOP US FROM TELLING THE TRUTH ABOUT THIS SYSTEM, THIS IS THE REAL REASON BEHIND MAY 13. THIS SYSTEM IS PERSECUTING ATTEMPTING TO EXTERMINATE MOVE BECAUSE WE TELL THE TRUTH AND THEY DONT WANT THEIR LIES EXPOSED, THIS SYSTEM KNOWS MOVE BELIEF, OUR FIGHT TO PROTECT LIFE IS RIGHT, THE TRUTH AND THIS SYSTEM DONT INTEND TO EMBRACE THE TRUTH, BE RIGHT, DONT INTEND TO PROTECT NOTHING BUT THEIR MONEY INTERESTS WHETHER IT IS AT THE EXPENSE OF YOUR LIFE, ALL LIFE. THE PEOPLE RUNNING THIS SYSTEM KNOW MOVE'S PURPOSE IS TO STOP THEM FROM IMPOSING ON LIFE, AND THEY DONT WANT TO STOP, SO THEY INTEND TO TRY TO STOP MOVE BY ANY MEANS THEY GOT, THEY SAW MAY 13 AS JUST SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY. THIS SYSTEM HAD NO INTENTIONS OF AVOIDING THAT CONFRONTATION, THEY HAD EVERY INTENTION TO KILL MOVE, THEY SENT THEIR COPS OUT TO MOVE'S HOUSE MAY 13 WITH SPECIFIC ORDERS FROM HIGH UP IN GOVERNMENT TO KILL MOVE TO SHUT US UP FROM TELLING THE TRUTH.

2) WHAT IS MOVE REALLY ABOUT:

MOVE'S WORK, JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION, IS TO STOP MANS SYSTEM FROM IMPOSING ON LIFE, MOVE'S WORK IS TO STOP INDUSTRY FROM POISONING THE AIR, THE WATER, THE SOIL AND TO PUT AN END TO THE ENSLAVEMENT OF LIFE--PEOPLE, ANIMALS, ANY FORM OF LIFE. THE PURPOSE OF JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION, MOVE'S WORK IS TO SHOW PEOPLE HOW CORRUPT, ROTTEN, CRIMINALLY ENSLAVING THIS SYSTEM IS, SHOW PEOPLE THRU JOHN AFRICA'S TEACHING, THE TRUTH, THAT THIS SYSTEM IS THE CAUSE OF ALL THEIR PROBLEMS (ALCOHOLISM, DRUG ADDICTION, WAR, DISEASE, MURDER, RAPE, ALL CRIMES, UNEMPLOYMENT, WIFE ABUSE, CHILD ABUSE, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, EVERY PROBLEM IN THE WORLD) AND TO SET THE

EXAMPLE OF REVOLUTION FOR PEOPLE TO FOLLOW WHEN THEY REALIZE HOW THEY'VE BEEN OPPRESSED, REPRESSED, DUPED, TRICKED BY THIS SYSTEM, THIS GOV. AND SEE THE NEED TO RID THEMSELVES OF THIS CANCEROUS SYSTEM AS MOVE DOES. MOVE IS REVOLUTIONARIES, WE ARE THE VANGUARD, THE SPEARHEAD OF JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION, OUR WORK IS TO CONFRONT THIS SYSTEM UP FRONT TO SHOW PEOPLE NOT ONLY THAT THEY CAN FIGHT THIS SYSTEM AND WIN, BUT TO SHOW THEM THE URGENT NEED TO FIGHT. PEOPLE ARE CONFRONTED DAILY WITH THE THREAT OF INDUSTRIAL POISON, POLICE BRUTALITY, CORRUPT GOV., POLITICIANS, JUDGES, UNJUST JAIL TERMS AND THINGS AINT GETTING BETTER ITS GETTING WORSE, WHILE THE LIES TO COVER THIS FILTH IS GETTING EVEN MORE SILKY SMOOTH, DEVIOUS. MOVE AINT TALKIN ABOUT CHANGING GOVERNMENTS, REPLACING ONE CORRUPT DICTATOR, ENSLAVES FOR ANOTHER, MOVE IS TALKIN ABOUT THE GOV. OF SELF, FREEDOM, THE NATURAL RIGHT OF ALL LIFE, MOVE AINT TALKIN ABOUT MAKING JAIL SO CALL BETTER MOVE IS FIGHTING TO DO AWAY WITH PRISONS AND THE MENTALITY OF ENSLAVEMENT THAT ALLOWS PRISONS TO EVEN EXIST WHEN FREEDOM SHOULD BE THE ONLY FORCE REALIZED. THIS SYSTEM KNOWS THE MOVE ORG. IS COMMITTED TO STOPPING THEM, THEIR CRIMES AGAINST LIFE, THEY KNOW JOHN AFRICA, MOVE'S COORDINATOR IS THE MASTER STRATEGIST BEHIND MOVE, KNOW JOHN AFRICA GOT THE POWER THE WISDOM TO STOP THEM, THAT'S WHY THEY DROPPED THAT BOMB ON OUR HOUSE MAY 13, THIS SYSTEM THINKS THAT MURDERING OUR FAMILY WILL STOP THE MOVE ORGANIZATION, JOHN AFRICA, JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION, BUT NOTHING THIS SYSTEM DOES--WILL STOP JOHN AFRICA, THE MOVE ORGANIZATION, ANYTHING THEY DO TO US ONLY MAKES US COME BACK AT THEM THAT MUCH MORE HARDER, STRONGER, BECAUSE MOVE GOT THE POWER OF LIFE, MOM NATURE, THE POWER OF TRUE GOD AS OUR ALLY AND NO MAN CAN STAND UP AGAINST THIS POWER LONG AND WIN! LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA THE COORDINATOR!

3) WHAT DO MOVE BELIEVE IN WHEN IT COMES TO LIFE AND WHEN IT COMES TO THE SYSTEM:

MOVE BELIEF IS THAT LIFE NATURE GOD IS THE SAME, WE ARE TAUGHT BY JOHN AFRICA TO LOVE LIFE, REVERE IT, MOVE IN HARMONY WITH IT, NOT GO AGAINST LIFE AS THIS SYSTEM IS DOING, THIS SYSTEM DONT BELIEVE IN LIFE, THEY CLAIM THEIR BELIEF IS IN GOD (WHICH IS THE SAME AS LIFE) BUT WE KNOW THEIR BELIEF IS IN MONEY NOT GOD AND THEY PROVE IT BY THE WAY THEY MISTREAT GOD'S LIFE FOR THE SAKE OF MONEY. THIS SYSTEM HAVE HISTORICALLY ABUSED, RAPED, BARTERED LIFE (INCLUDING PEOPLE) FOR THE SAKE OF MONEY, THIS SYSTEM'S RULERS, ITS POLICY MAKERS WANT MONEY AND DONT CARE WHO THEY KILL, ENSLAVE, CRIPPLE, MAKE SICK TO GET IT, TO QUOTE JOHN AFRICA, QUOTE-INDUSTRY IS AN EXCESS OF LIFE, AN ADDITION TO GOD'S LAW THAT HAS CAUSED ALL DISORDERS, MURDER, RAPE, THEFT, SLAVERY, WAR, GUNS, BOMBS, CRIPPLES, INDUSTRY HAS CAUSED HEART DISORDER, HEAD DISORDER, LUNG DISORDER, TEETH DISORDER, IT HAS CAUSED WIVES TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM HUSBANDS, HUSBANDS TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM THEIR JOBS AND CHILDREN TO HAVE DISORDERS FROM THEIR MOTHERS, THEIR FATHERS AND THEIR JOBS, INDUSTRY HAVE CAUSED THE DISORDER OF SMOKING, THE DISORDER OF DRINKING, THE DISORDER OF PILLS AND THE PROBLEMS THAT COME AFTER, INDUSTRY HAS CAUSED BIRTH PROBLEMS,

DEATH PROBLEMS AND ALL OF THE BILLIONS OF PROBLEMS IN BETWEEN, INDUSTRY HAVE TWISTED PEOPLE AROUND SO BAD THAT PEOPLE WILL COMPROMISE AIR FOR AIR POLLUTION, WATER FOR WATER POLLUTION, SOIL FOR SOIL POLLUTION FOR A PAY CHECK FROM INDUSTRY, CAUSING PEOPLE TO PUT A PRIORITY ON POLLUTION FOR THE SAKE OF MONEY AND FORSAKE THE HEALTH THAT GOD INTENDED, FOR POLLUTION IN THE AIR IS INDUSTRY AND INDUSTRY IS MONEY, POLLUTION IN THE WATER IS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN BUSINESS, POLLUTION OF THE SOIL IS ACCEPTED AS A SO CALL WAY OF LIFE, ANY SYSTEM THAT SELLS THE AIR, BARTERS THE WATER, PUTS A MONETARY PRICE ON SOIL, MARKETS THE HEALTH, THE WORTH, THE FREEDOM OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE FOR A GODDAMNING DOLLAR IS TO BE EXPOSED, CON- DEMNED, CUT DOWN FOR GOOD, CUT DOWN FOR THE GOOD OF LIFE, THE GOOD OF LOVE, THE GOOD OF FREEDOM, THE NECESSITY OF HEALTH, CUT DOWN FOR THE GOOD OF GOD, THE LAW OF AIR, THE LAW OF SOIL, THE LAW OF WATER-END QUOTE. LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA
THE COORDINATOR!

4) HOW DO MOVE EXPLAIN THE SYSTEM:

THIS SYSTEM IS MANS INVENTION, HIS IDEA, IT AINT GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH GOD, GOD'S LAW IS LOVE, PEACE, FREEDOM, SANITY, HEALTH, SECURITY, MANS IDEA OF LAW, HIS SYSTEM IS DESIGNED TO BE HIS WAY, WHICH IS IN OPPOSITION TO LIFE, GOD AND IS SEEN IN THE EXAMPLES THAT FOLLOWS, IN THE JAILS THAT IS DESIGNED TO EN- SLAVE WHEN GOD DICTATE FREEDOM, IN THE INDUSTRY THAT IS DESIGNED TO MAKE MONEY ALTHOUGH IT IS POISONING, CRIPPLING, DEFORMING LIFE WHEN GOD DICTATE LIFE TO BE HEALTHY, FREE OF SICKNESS, AND MUCH MORE, THIS SYSTEM AINT ABOUT CORRECTING NO- BODY, JAILS ARE MONEY-MAKING INSTITUTIONS JUST LIKE ZOOS WHERE ANIMALS ARE EN- SLAVED. THE PEOPLE THAT CONTROL THESE JAILS AINT ABOUT TO TRY TO CORRECT NOBODY 'CAUSE IF PEOPLE ARE CORRECT THEN THEY WONT BE GOING TO JAIL AND THAT MEANS THAT THEY SYSTEM WILL LOOSE MONEY. THEY GOTTA KEEP PEOPLE FILLING THESE PRISONS CAUSE WITHOUT PRISONS COPS WOULD BE OUT OF A JOB, JUDGES WOULD BE OUT OF A JOB, SHERIFFS, SUPERINTENDENTS, WARDENS, MATRONS AND GUARDS WOULD BE OUT OF JOBS, AND POLITICIANS WOULD BE OUT OF THE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS THEY POCKET FROM THE INDUS- TRY OF PRISONS, THIS SYSTEM DIDN'T BUILD PRISONS WITH CORRECTION IN MIND, THEY BUILT PRISONS WITH SLAVERY AND THE MONEY TO BE HAD FROM ENSLAVING IN MIND, JOHN AFRICA TEACH THAT PRISON WOULDN'T EXIST WITHOUT SLAVERY, PRISONS AINT NO- THING BUT SLAVE COMPOUNDS, BUT UNLIKE THE SLAVERY OF THE SOUTHERN PLANTATIONS, PRISON IS ACCEPTABLE IN TODAY'S SOCIETY, IT IS ACCEPTABLE SYSTEMATIC SLAVERY AND ALL FOR THE SAKE OF MONEY AT THE EXPENSE OF LIFE, THIS SYSTEM DONT CARE NOTHING FOR LIFE, THIS SYSTEM IS THE INVENTOR, THE PEDDLER OF CIGARETTES, ALCOHOL, DRUGS, PROSTITUTION, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ALL FOR THE SAKE OF A DOLLAR, CIGARETTES CAUSE CANCER, ALCOHOL CAUSE ALCOHOLISM, DRUGS CAUSE SICKNESS AND DEATH, AND ALL 3 IS ADDICTING YET THIS SYSTEM DELIBERATELY, CALCULATINGLY PUSH THESE KILLING ADDICTIONS ON PEOPLE TO WEAKEN 'EM, TAKE THE STRENGTH, THE FIGHT

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OUT 'EM SO THEY BECOME WEAK, SUBMISSIVE TO THE RULE OF GOVERNMENT AND PUNISH THE VICTIM AFTER VICTIMIZING THEM, LOCKING UP DRUG USERS WHEN THIS SYSTEM'S SCIENTIST IS THE ONES WHO IS MAKING DRUGS AND INFLUENCING DRUG USE. LOCKING UP THE PROSTITUTE AND KEEPIN' THE INVENTOR OF PROSTITUTION, THE INEQUALITY OF THIS SYSTEM, FLOURISHING. THIS SYSTEM GONE KEEP MAKING CIGARETTES, ALCOHOL AND DRUGS NO MATTER HOW MANY PEOPLE IT KILLS CAUSE THEY ARE ALL BIG MONEY MAKING INDUSTRIES, THIS SYSTEM AINT GONE STOP THE RAPE OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CAUSE THATS BIG MONEY AND CHILDREN AINT IMPORTANT TO THIS SYSTEM MONEY IS, CHILDREN ARE OF GOD, AS IS ALL LIFE, BUT IN THIS SYSTEM GOD IS JUST A WORD, A UTTERENCE WITH NO MEANING TO MAN AS IS SEEN IN THE RAPE OF GOD'S SUBJECTS' BY MAN, MONEY IS THE GOD OF THIS SYSTEM BUT LIFE IS MOVE'S BELIEF, MOVE'S GOD! PRISONS IS MONEY SO THEY'RE GONNA BE KEPT GOING, BUT NOT ONLY IS PRISONS MONEY-MAKING INSTITUTIONS, THIS SYSTEM USES PRISONS AS A FORM OF INTIMIDATION TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM FIGHTING AGAINST THE OPPRESSION OF THE GOVERNMENT, THIS IS WHAT THEY'RE TRYIN TO DO TO MOVE BUT IT WONT WORK. MOVE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN IN JAIL SINCE 1978 FOR A CRIME WE DID NOT COMMIT--WE'RE INNOCENT AND THIS SYSTEM KNOWS MOVE IS INNOCENT BUT THEY PUT US IN JAIL DESPITE OUR INNOCENSE TO TRY TO SHUT MOVE UP FROM TELLING THE TRUTH. OUR FAMILY TOOK THE STAND THEY TOOK MAY 13 BECAUSE THEY WANTED INNOCENT MOVE PEOPLE OUT OF JAIL, OUR FAMILY TOOK THE STRONG STAND THEY DID CAUSE FAMILY IS MOVE'S BELIEF, WE DONT PUT NOTHING BEFORE FAMILY. THIS SYSTEM IS TRYIN TO MAKE PEOPLE THINK MOVE IS WRONG FOR BEING FAMILY, WHEN THE PRINCIPLE OF FAMILY COMES FROM GOD, THE LAW OF LIFE, AND EVERYBODY WANTS, NEEDS FAMILY. JOHN AFRICA TOLD US THAT THE ONE THING PEOPLE WHO CRITICIZE MOVE'S POSITION CANNOT GET AROUND IS THAT IF THEY WAS INNOCENT AND IN PRISON THEY WOULD WANT THEY FAMILY TO FIGHT FOR THEM LIKE OUR FAMILY FIGHT FOR US, THEY WOULD NOT WANT THEY FAMILY TO TAKE THE COMPROMISING POSITION THEY ARE TELLING MOVE WE SHOULD TAKE IF THEY WAS INNOCENT AND IN PRISON. BUT INSTEAD OF PEOPLE CRITICIZING THIS GOV. FOR JAILING, MURDERING MOVE UNJUSTLY, PEOPLE IS CRITICIZING MOVE FOR FIGHTIN AGAINST THIS CORRUPT GOV., THE VERY SAME GOV. THEY COMPLAIN ABOUT EVERYDAY WHEN THEY VOICE DISSATISFACTION WITH THIS SYSTEM, JOHN AFRICA EXPLAIN THAT THESE SAME PEOPLE WHO CRITICIZE MOVE FOR OUR UNCOMPROMISING FIGHT WITH THIS SYSTEM WILL SUPPORT THE BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS WHO ARE FIGHTING THE CORRUPT GOV. IN SOUTH AFRICA, BLACKS AND WHITES WILL SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST APARTHEID, THE CORRUPT GOV. OF SOUTH AFRICA NO MATTER HOW MANY BLACKS OR WHITES IS KILLED AND THEY DONT NEVER BLAME THOSE FIGHTING APARTHEID FOR GETTIN THEYSSELVES KILLED, THEY BLAME THE CORRUPT GOV. FOR KILLING THOSE FIGHTING APARTHEID. BUT WHEN MOVE FIGHT THIS CORRUPT GOV. PEOPLE WANT TO BLAME MOVE AND SUPPORT THE GOVERNMENT. JOHN AFRICA WISELY POINTED OUT THAT THOSE FIGHTING APARTHEID IN SOUTH AFRICA WOULD WELCOME MOVE CAUSE WE FIGHTERS, WE FIGHT THIS SYSTEM BUT THOSE FIGHTING APARTHEID WOULD KILL THOSE WHO CRITICIZE MOVE AND SUPPORT THIS GOVERNMENT, IF THE PEOPLE WHO CRITICIZE MOVE WAS IN SOUTH AFRICA THE BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS WOULD KILL THEM.

5) WHY DIDNT MOVE ACCEPT THAT (FARM) THAT WAS OFFERED TO THEM IF THEY WANTED TO GO BACK TO LIVING NATURAL:

MOVE WOULDN'T ACCEPT THE FARM BECAUSE IT WAS A TRICK THE GOVERNMENT WAS TRYIN TO USE TO GET MOVE ISOLATED BY OURSELVES SO THEY COULD KILL US WITHOUT ANY WITNESSES, ALSO THEY OFFERED US THE FARM AS A PART OF A BRIBE TO TRY TO GET MOVE TO COMPROMISE OUR BELIEF, AND SELL-OUT PEOPLE'S TRUST FOR MONEY, MONETARY GAIN, LIKE THEY HAVE DONE SO MANY OTHER REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PAST BUT MOVE WONT SELL OUT PEOPLE'S TRUST, WONT COMPROMISE OUR BELIEF FOR NO MONEY OR NOTHING ELSE COMIN FROM THIS SYSTEM, THEY CANNOT BRIBE MOVE OFF AND MOST IMPORTANTLY MOVE WILL NOT MOVE TO THE COUNTRY AS LONG AS THE CITY EXIST BECAUSE TO DO THAT WOULD BE TO DIVERT FROM THE PROBLEM NOT CORRECT IT, DIVERSION AINT CORRECTION, TO DIVERT IS TO IGNORE AND TO IGNORE A PROBLEM IS TO ALLOW IT TO GROW AND FESTER, GET EVEN WORSE. THE CITY THAT YOU SEE HERE NOW WAS ONCE THE COUNTRY BUT IT IS CITY NOW BECAUSE THE SICKNESS MOVE IS TALKIN ABOUT SPREAD ITSELF TO THIS COUNTRY AND IT'LL KEEP ON SPREADING IF IT AINT STOPPED, THIS IS MOVE'S WORK TO STOP THIS SICKNESS. TO PROVE THAT THE GOV.'S OFFER OF A FARM WAS JUST A TRICK, WE HAD A FARM IN VIRGINIA, WE WAS BUYING TO SEND OUR CHILDREN AND A FEW MOVE MEMBERS TOO BECAUSE WE DO WANT OUR CHILDREN ON A FARM CAUSE IT IS HEALTHIER, BUT IT WAS LAND MOVE PICKED OUT AND IT WASN'T ISOLATED LIKE LAND THE GOV. WOULD HAVE PICKED OUT AND THE GOV., THE POLITICIANS DELIBERATELY SABATOGED IT, MADE US LOOSE IT BY GOING TO VIRGINIA AND TELLIN THE PEOPLE LIVING AROUND THE FARM THAT MOVE WOULD KILL THEIR COWS, THAT WE TOOK DRUGS, KILLED OUR BABIES AND ATE THEM WHICH IS A SICK INSANE LIE. THE NEIGHBORS BELIEVED THEM HOWEVER, BECAUSE THEY DIDNT KNOW MOVE AND THEY TRUST THE GOV., TRUST POLITICIANS, THE NEWS MEDIA, THEY COMPLAINED TO THE REALTOR, WHO, TO KEEP US FROM GETTIN THE FARM, DEMANDED THE FULL PRICE FOR THE FARM IN ONE PAYMENT KNOWING WE COULDN'T PAY IT, SO WE LOST THE FARM. THE GOV. IS ONLY BRINGING UP THAT FARM ISSUE AS A PROPAGANDA TACTIC TO MAKE IT LOOK LIKE THEY OFFERED US A FARM BUT WE REFUSED IT, THAT IF WE HAD TAKEN IT NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE HAPPENED (MOVE BEING IN JAIL, AUGUST 8 OR MAY 13). THEY'RE TRYIN TO PLACE THE BLAME ON MOVE SO THE PEOPLE WONT LOOK AT THEM AND SEE THE LYING CONSPIRACY, MURDER THEY GUILTY OF. THE GOV. WASNT SINCERE IN OFFERING NO FARM AND WE KNEW THIS, MOVE AINT NAIVE, JOHN AFRICA HAVE TAUGHT US VERY WELL, WE KNOW THIS GOV. IS OUR ENEMY AND WE KNOW A ENEMY CANT BE TRUSTED, AND IF PEOPLE NEED ANY MORE EVIDENCE, PROOF THAT THIS GOV. IS INDEED MOVE'S ENEMY, THAT THIS GOV. AINT GOT NO LOVE, CONCERN FOR MOVE, OUR CHILDREN, JUST LOOK AT THE EXAMPLE OF MAY 13.

6) WHY DIDN'T MOVE TELL THE COPS TO LET THEM SEND THE CHILDREN OUT OF THE HOUSE FIRST THEN DEAL FROM THERE:

MOVE PEOPLE THAT WAS IN THE HOUSE ON OSAGE AVE. MAY 13, DID TRY TO GET THE CHILDREN OUT THE HOUSE, THEY WAS CALLING OVER THE LOUD SPEAKER FOR OVER AN HOUR

TELLING THE COPS THERE WAS CHILDREN IN THE HOUSE AND TO LET THE CHILDREN OUT, THE COPS IGNORED THEM, WHEN THE MOVE PEOPLE SAW THE COPS WASNT GONE LET THE CHILDREN OUT THEY STARTED COMING OUT CARRYING THE CHILDREN AND THE COPS SHOT THEM ALL BACK INTO THE HOUSE WHILE IT WAS BURNING UP WITH FIRE 'CAUSE THE COPS, THE GOVERNMENT'S AIM WAS TO KILL ALL MOVE PEOPLE IN THAT HOUSE INCLUDING THE CHILDREN. THE CITY DELIBERATELY ORDERED THE COPS TO SURROUND AND ATTACK THE HOUSE AT A TIME WHEN EVERYBODY WOULD BE IN THE HOUSE. THE HOUSE WAS UNDER A 24 HOUR POLICE SURVEILLANCE FOR OVER A YEAR AND THE COPS KNEW THAT EVERY MORNING ALL THE CHILDREN LEFT THE HOUSE TO GO TO THE PARK. MOVE PEOPLE HAVE A PATTERN OF DOING THINGS AND ANYBODY OBSERVING MOVE KNOWS THIS, THEM COPS, THE CITY OF PHILA. KNEW THE PATTERN THE MOVE PEOPLE ON OSAGE AVE. HAD FOR THE CHILDREN, THEY KNEW WHEN THE CHILDREN WOULD BE OUT THE HOUSE AND KNEW WHEN THEY WOULD BE IN THE HOUSE. THEY WANTED TO KILL OUR CHILDREN, ALONG WITH THE ADULT MOVE MEMBERS, THATS WHY THEY ATTACKED THE HOUSE AT A TIME WHEN THEY KNEW OUR CHILDREN WOULD BE IN THERE. THIS GOV., PHILA. MAYOR WILSON GOODE COULD HAVE AVOIDED MAY 13 IF THATS WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO BECAUSE OUR FAMILY MADE IT CLEAR TO THE CITY OFFICIALS THAT THEY WOULD STOP THE CONFRONTATION AT ANY TIME IF THE CITY WOULD MAKE AN HONEST EFFORT TO INVESTIGATE THE UNJUST JAILING OF MOVE PEOPLE. OUR FAMILY TALKED TO MAYOR GOODE, TO JUDGES, TO POLITICIANS, TOLD THEM ALL THE REASON FOR THE CONFRONTATION WAS BECAUSE INNOCENT MOVE PEOPLE WAS IN JAIL AND MOVE MEMBERS WANTED THEY INNOCENT SISTERS AND BROTHERS RELEASED FROM PRISON. FOR 7 YEARS OUR FAMILY EXHAUSTED EVERY LEGAL CHANNEL TO OBTAIN OUR RELEASE, ALL TO NO AVAIL EVEN THOUGH THIS ENTIRE GOVERNMENT KNOWS MOVE IS INNOCENT AND DONT BELONG IN JAIL, AND INSTEAD OF THIS GOV., PHILA. MAYOR GOODE DOING RIGHT BY MOVE BY INVESTIGATING OUR FAMILIES CHARGES MOVE MEMBERS ARE BEING JAILED UNJUSTLY, THIS GOV., AND GOODE BOMBED OUR FAMILIES HOUSE, KNOWING MOVE'S POSITION WAS THAT IF JUST ONE OFFICIAL HAD SAID THEY WOULD HONESTLY INVESTIGATE THE SITUATION, THE CONFRONTATION WOULD HAVE BEEN STOPPED.

7) PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW WHY THE NEWS MEDIA PLAYS MOVE UP TO BE VIOLENT, DIRTY HAVING NO BELIEF, NOT CARING FOR PEOPLE WHO DONT BELIEVE IN WHAT WE BELIEVE IN:

THIS SYSTEM HAVE DELIBERATELY, CALCULATINGLY PORTRAYED MOVE AS VIOLENT, DIRTY, CRAZY, HAVING NO BELIEF AND OTHER LIES TO THE PUBLIC SO PEOPLE WILL BE SCARED OF US, HATE US, BE PREJUDICED AGAINST US SO WHEN THIS GOV. DOES THINGS TO MOVE LIKE GIVING US OUTRAGEOUS SENTENCES OF 100 YEARS IN JAIL FOR 3rd. DEGREE MURDER IN SHOOTING A COP BUT WE AINT HAVE NO GUNS AND AINT GET NO WEAPONS CHARGES IN THE TRIAL, OR WHEN THEY DROP A BOMB ON OUR HOME WITH OUR FAMILY IN IT FOR CONFRONTING THEM ABOUT HAVIN' OUR FAMILY IN JAIL WHEN THEY KNOW WE INNOCENT, THEY WANT PEOPLE TO THINK WE GETTIN WHAT WE DESERVE, WANT PEOPLE TO THINK THE GOV. IS JUSTIFIED IN WHAT THEY DOING TO MOVE BASED ON HOW WE'VE BEEN PORTRAYED TO THE

PUBLIC BY THE MEDIA AS A BUNCH OF SICK, CRAZY, VIOLENT MANIACS OUT TO HURT PEOPLE WHICH IS A LIE, JOHN AFRICA TEACH MOVE SENSITIVITY, LOVE, NOT HATE, VIOLENCE AND PEOPLE FAMILIAR WITH MOVE KNOW THIS BUT THOSE WHO DONT KNOW MOVE WILL BELIEVE THE NEWS MEDIA, THE GOVERNMENT CAUSE THEY TRUST THESE PEOPLE, THEY RESPECT 'EM AND THEY'LL BELIEVE MOVE IS GETTIN WHAT WE DESERVE CAUSE WE CRAZY MANIACS WHICH IS JUST HOW THE GOV. WANT PEOPLE TO THINK SO THIS GOV. CAN DO WHAT THEY WANT TO MOVE WITH-OUT PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST THEM.

8) PEOPLE FEEL THAT MOVE IS ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM IN MUNCY AND THAT WE ARE SAID TO BE QUICK TO SAY DONT FIGHT FOR US CAUSE WE'RE ONLY FOR OURSELVES. THAT WAS PUT OUT WHEN WE CAME UP CLINTON MARCH 6, 1984 BY CERTAIN PEOPLE:

THE WORK MOVE IS DOING AINT JUST FOR MOVE, IT IS FOR ALL LIFE. WE HAVE NEVER TOLD PEOPLE THAT WE DIDN'T WANT THEIR SUPPORT OR THAT WE WAS ONLY INTERESTED IN OURSELVES, THIS IS A MISINTERPRETATION ON THE PART OF THOSE WHO MAY BE THINK-ING THIS WAY. WHEN WE DEMONSTRATED AGAINST MUNCY IN THE DINING HALL MARCH 6, 1984 WE TOLD PEOPLE NOT TO REFUSE TO GET LOCKED IN, AND NOT TO GET INTO NO PHYSICAL FIGHT WITH THE GUARDS BECAUSE WE HAD OUR STRATEGY AND WE DIDN'T WANT PEOPLE TO GET HURT, BUT PEOPLE MISINTERPRETED THIS, THEY THOUGHT WE WAS SAYING WE DIDN'T WANT THEM TO FIGHT FOR US BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T FIGHT FOR THEM, THIS IS NOT TRUE, MOVE'S WHOLE FIGHT IS FOR LIFE, ALL LIFE, INCLUDING PEOPLE, WE TOLD PEOPLE TO BE CAUTIOUS MARCH 6 BECAUSE WE KNEW THIS PRISON WOULD COME WITH THE STATE TROOPERS, DOGS, GUNS, MACE AND WE DIDN'T WANT PEOPLE HURT, KILLED OR IN A POSITION THEY COULDN'T OR WOULDN'T WANT TO HANDLE, SUCH AS GETTIN NEW CHARGES, LOSS OF PAROLE DATES OR GO-ING TO THE R.H.U. WHAT WE TOLD PEOPLE MARCH 6 WAS NOT SAID BECAUSE MOVE DONT WANT NO SUPPORT AND IS ONLY INTERESTED IN OURSELVES BUT WAS SAID OUT OF CONCERN FOR PEOPLE. MOVE HAVE ALWAYS MADE IT CLEAR TO PEOPLE THAT THE WORK WE ARE DO-ING IS TO STOP THIS SYSTEM, ALL OF IT, FROM IMPOSING ON LIFE, WE AINT INTERESTED IN DEALING WITH A PART OF THIS THING BUT THE WHOLE THING, BECAUSE AS JOHN AFRICA TEACH, WHEN YOU GOT A PROBLEM YOU GOT TO GET RID OF THE WHOLE THING IF YOU EXPECT TO GET RID OF THE PROBLEM, YOU CANT JUST DEAL WITH A PART OF THE PROBLEM AND EX-PECT IT TO BE SOLVED, MOVE IS TALKIN ABOUT SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF MAN'S IMPOSITION ON LIFE, WE TALKIN ABOUT CLEANING UP MAN'S POISON IN THE AIR, THE WATER, SOIL SO HEALTH CAN BE REALIZED. WE TALKING ABOUT DOING AWAY WITH JAILS, ENSLAVEMENT SO THAT FREEDOM CAN BE REALIZED TRULY, NOT JUST THE ILLUSION OF FREEDOM REPRESENTED BY THE STREETS. THE WORK WE DOIN WILL BENEFIT ALL LIFE NOT JUST MOVE, WHEN THE AIR IS CLEAN YOU BENEFIT FROM BREATHING IT JUST AS MOVE, WHEN JAILS ARE DONE AWAY WITH YOU AINT NO LONGER THREATENED BY THIS ENSLAVEMENT AS WELL AS MOVE. THIS IS WHAT MOVE IS FIGHTING FOR, ALSO WE HAVE TOLD PEOPLE THAT MOVE IS THE VANGUARD OF THIS REVOLUTION, WE'RE THE SPEARHEAD, OUT FRONT SETTIN' THE EXAMPLE FOR PEOPLE TO GIVE THEM THE DIRECTION THEY NEED TO FIGHT THIS SYSTEM,

BUT THE DECISION TO FIGHT IS YOURS TO MAKE NOT MOVE'S, BECAUSE THE WORK, THE COMMITMENT IT TAKES TO BE A REVOLUTIONARY HAS GOT TO COME FROM YOU AS AN INDIVIDUAL WE CAN GIVE PEOPLE INFORMATION, THE TRUTH, WE CAN SET THE EXAMPLE TO SHOW PEOPLE THAT IT AINT IMPOSSIBLE TO FIGHT THIS SYSTEM BUT THE REST HAS GOT TO COME FROM THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES CAUSE MOVE CAN GIVE YOU DIRECTION BUT WE CANNOT DO YOUR WORK FOR YOU NOR CAN WE PLACE DEMANDS ON YOU, YOU HAVE GOT TO MAKE THE DECISION YOURSELF AS TO WHAT YOU WANNA DO FOR THE REVOLUTION AND STAND BY YOUR DECISION AS MOVE STAND BY OURS. MOVE WANT YOUR SUPPORT, WE JUST WANT ^{YOU} TO BE SURE YOU WILLING TO GIVE IT, YOU ALREADY HAVE MOVE'S SUPPORT, BUT UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE GOT TO DO YOUR OWN WORK TO BE RIGHT, STRONG, REVOLUTIONARY, JOHN AFRICA TEACH MOVE THE TRUTH, GIVE US DIRECTION, SUPPORT, MOTIVATION BUT JOHN AFRICA DONT DO OUR WORK FOR US WE GOT TO DO OUR OWN WORK OURSELVES.

MOVE PEOPLE ARE NOT VIOLENT, KILLERS, WE AINT NEVER KILLED NOBODY. ALL MOVE HAVE EVER DONE IS PROTECT, DEFEND OUR FAMILY, OUR BELIEF AGAINST THE MURDEROUS INTENT OF THIS SYSTEM, TO GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE: WHEN A MAN LEAVES HIS ENVIRONMENT, HIS PLACE OF SECURITY AND GOES INTO A LIONS DEN HE VIOLATES, THREATENS THE LIONS PLACE OF SECURITY AND WHEN THE LION DEFENDS HIS HOME, HIS SECURITY, INSTINCTIVELY BY FIGHTING OFF THIS THREAT AND ELIMINATES THE MAN, THE LION AINT WRONG CAUSE THE LION IS DEFENDIN HIMSELF AND SELF DEFENSE IS RIGHT. THE MAN IS WRONG FOR INTRUDING WHERE HE DONT BELONG, IMPOSING ON LIFE. ALL ANIMALS WILL DEFEND THEIR HOME, THEIR FAMILY WHEN THREATENED JUST AS MOVE WILL DEFEND OURS WHEN THREATENED AND THIS IS RIGHT CAUSE SELF-DEFENSE IS RIGHT, IT IS THE GOD GIVEN RIGHT OF ALL LIFE. ON AUGUST 8, 1978 AND MAY 13, 1985 THE COPS CAME TO MOVE'S HOUSE, SURROUNDED OUR HOME WITH MACHINE GUNS, RIFLES, GRENADES, DELUGE GUNS AND BOMBS, THEY ATTACKED MOVE, THEY BOMBED MOVE FOR DEFENDING OURSELVES AGAINST UNJUST IMPRISONMENT, BUT THIS SYSTEM IS LABLING MOVE AS THE CRIMINALS, CALLING MOVE VIOLENT KILLERS BUT MOVE AINT SURROUND GOODE'S HOUSE WITH MACHINE GUNS, GRENADES. DELUGE GUNS AND BOMBS, MOVE DIDN'T BOMB GOODE'S FAMILY AND SHOOT HIS CHILDREN BACK INTO A BURNING BUILDING, GOODE, THIS GOV. DID THAT TO MOVE.

MOVE CHILDREN ARE NOT ABUSED, MALNOURISHED ^{OR} UNHEALTHY, BECAUSE OF THE TEACHING OF JOHN AFRICA MOVE PEOPLE ARE VERY SENSITIVE, ATTENTIVE TO OUR CHILDREN AND MOVE CHILDREN ARE HAPPY, CALM, CONTENT, HEALTHY. SEVERAL TIMES WHEN THE POLICE HAVE ATTACKED MOVE HOUSES AND FORCIBLY TAKEN OUR CHILDREN, THEIR DOCTORS HAVE EXAMINED MOVE CHILDREN AND THESE DOCTORS HAVE ADMITTED THAT MOVE CHILDREN ARE THE HEALTHIEST, MOST SECURE, HAPPIEST CHILDREN THEY HAVE EVER SEEN. WE DONT FEED OUR CHILDREN DEAD DOGS LIKE THE NEWS MEDIA TRY TO SAY WE DO, ASIDE FROM THE FACT THAT MOVE CHILDREN DONT EVEN EAT MEAT, MOVE PEOPLE LOVE OUR ANIMALS AND WOULDN'T NEVER KILL OR HURT THEM IN ANY WAY. OUR CHILDREN EAT ONLY RAW FOOD, THE FRESHEST RAW VEGETABLES,

NUTS AND FRUIT AVAILABLE AND THE NEWS MEDIA, THESE PUBLIC OFFICIALS KNOW THIS BECAUSE MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN IN MOVE'S HOME FOR DINNER OR VISITED MOVE'S HOME IN THE PAST AND OBSERVED MOVE'S LIFESTYLE, HOW WE CARE FOR AND FEED OUR CHILDREN AND OUR ANIMALS.

MOVE PEOPLE ARE NOT DIRTY, WE ARE VERY CLEAN, HEALTHY PEOPLE, WE WASH OUR BODY, WE JUST AINT COSMETIC. WE WASH IN PLAIN WATER, WE DONT USE CHEMICALS ON OUR BODY, WE AINT INSECURE ABOUT THE WAY GOD MADE US, THE WAY WE LOOK, THE WAY WE SMELL BECAUSE OUR SMELL IS A HEALTHY NATURAL SMELL, BUT PEOPLE IN THIS SYSTEM ARE TAUGHT BY THIS SYSTEM THAT IF YOU DONT DRESS A CERTAIN WAY, WEAR YOUR HAIR A CERTAIN WAY, SMELL LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF A PACKAGE OR A BOTTLE THEN YOU AINT ACCEPTABLE, YOU'RE DIRTY BUT CLEANNESS IS SYNONYMOUS WITH HEALTH AND MOVE PEOPLE IS FULL OF HEALTH, AINT NOBODY EVER CAUGHT NO DISEASE FROM A MOVE MEMBER, IF ANYTHING THEY'VE GOTTEN STRONGER FROM BEING AROUND MOVE. MOVE WOMEN ARE SO STRONG, SO HEALTHY WE ARE ABLE TO HAVE OUR BABIES AT HOME NATURALLY WITH NO DOCTORS, MIDWIVES, MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY AND NO DRUGS, WE CAN RUN FOR MILES, DO THOUSANDS OF EXERCISES A DAY AND DESPITE ALL THAT MOVE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN THRU AND ARE STILL GOING THRU, DESPITE ALL OF THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TORTURE WE'VE BEEN SUBJECTED TO BY THIS SYSTEM, THIS PRISON, WE AINT SLOWING DOWN, AINT BACKING DOWN FROM THIS SYSTEM, THIS PRISON ONE BIT. WE'VE HAD A BOMB DROPPED ON OUR FAMILY IN PHILA. AND ALTHOUGH WE FEEL THIS DEEPLY, WHAT THIS CITY DID MAY 13 TO OUR FAMILY AND ARE GREATLY HURT BY IT BECAUSE OF THE LOVE, THE FAMILY JOHN AFRICA HAVE INSTILLED IN US, WE STILL WILL NOT STOP, CANNOT STOP FIGHTIN THIS ROTTEN ASS SYSTEM, FOR TO GIVE INTO THIS SYSTEM WOULD BE TO GIVE INTO THE VERY PEOPLE THAT DROPPED A BOMB ON OUR FAMILY. DESPITE OUR FAMILY BEING MASS MURDERED, DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE'VE BEEN IN JAIL FOR 7 YEARS FOR A CRIME WE DID NOT COMMIT, LOCKED UP IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN THIS PRISON FOR ALMOST 3 YEARS AND BEING LOCKED IN OUR CELLS 24 HOURS A DAY EVERYDAY WITH NO FRESH AIR, SUNSHINE OR EXERCISE SINCE MAY 1985, DESPITE MUNCY CONSTANTLY SETTING US UP WITH TRUMPED-UP CHARGES, PETTY WRITE UPS TO KEEP US IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, WE ARE GETTIN STRONGER THANKS TO JOHN AFRICA, AND THIS PRISON, THE OFFICIALS OF PHILA. THE GOVERNMENT, THIS SYSTEM RESENTS IT CAUSE THEY CANT ACCOMPLISH WHAT THEY SET OUT TO DO, CANT BREAK US, CANT STOP THE MOVE ORGANIZATION, JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION AINT STOPPED AND AINT NEVER GONE BE STOPPED, JOHN AFRICA CANT BE STOPPED!
LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA,
LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION AND DOWN WITH THIS ROTTEN ASS SYSTEM!

MOVE WOMEN AT MUNCY

THIS PRISON IS TRYNA BREAK US BUT THIS PRISON WILL BREAK FIRST CAUSE WE WILL NOT BE BROKEN.

IN MOVE LAW WE TRUST

ALL PRAISES TO THE ORDER OF LIFE

THE POWER OF TRUTH IS FINAL

LONG LIVE MOVE

• LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA THE COORDINATOR!

THIS IS

"Attention MOVE! This is America!"

—Philadelphia Police Commissioner Sambor

Like a scenario sprung from the pages of *Blood in My Eye* and the revolutionary mind of George Jackson the operations of the American Empire against an entire neighborhood in West Philadelphia's New Afrikan (Black) community became actual reality on May-13th. Our comrade George spoke:

We must accept the eventuality of bringing the U.S.A. to its knees; accept the closing off of critical sections of the city with barbed wire, armored pig carriers crisscrossing the streets, soldiers everywhere, tommy guns pointed at stomach level, smoke curling black against the daylight sky, the smell of cordite, house-to-house searches, doors being kicked in, the commonness of death.

Hardly anyone likes to admit to it or talk about it, but indeed, realizing what's coming at us is the first step toward preparing ourselves to deal with the fall of the American empire. The Philadelphia massacre isn't a contradiction because it happened—that's only one side of the dialectic. The other side is that it happened without any appropriate political-military response from the New Afrikan masses who are routinely victimized by the colonial violence that the devastation in Philly is but an extreme example. The New Afrikan nation, like any peace-loving nation, doesn't beg for "war in Amerika." It wants peace at home and abroad. Too much blood and tears have already been spilled for us. It is not in our culture to love death. Nonetheless, the "commonness of death"—of those We love and those that hate us, is an inevitability. We must accept as the imperialist system that the U.S. stands at the head of is brought to its knees.

The Closing Off of Critical Sections

The U.S. government from the federal to the municipal level literally gets away with murder because it can, as our comrade and brother Malcolm X pointed out: "make the criminal look like the victim, and victim look like the criminal." In the case of Philly, running log mayor Wilson ("Good Boy") Goode has been made into the tragic hero and the New Afrikan community, and the organization called MOVE in particular, have been made into the criminal in effect, standing reality on its head. The truth is a lie, and a lie is the truth.

If those of us who call ourselves "political activists" in "the movement" have learned anything at all about political struggle it should be that We can never afford to be isolated from our people, our community, our class—that is to say some larger constituency besides our own particular group before the state puts up barbed-wire fences and closes off a "critical section" of the New Afrikan population so as to crush resistance from a more or less organized sector of the population it will first attempt to isolate that organization, isolate thses forces of resistance from even developing a mass base. This is part of why prisons and the entire "criminal justice" system functions and is structured in such a way that it dehumanizes the incarcerated, the convicted, and in some cases even the accused so that there is little or no connection, identification, or sympathy with them from the uncarcerated, the unconvicted and the unaccused. This is the most classic and commonplace example of how the state isolates by dehumanizing those that it wishes to have free reign to treat as subhumans.

It is this same tactic that the U.S. government used against the organized struggle of Black people for independent state power/genuine national liberation throughout history in one form or another. It was used against rebellious and freedom-fighting forces during the days of slavery. It was used against the movements led by Marcus Mosiah Garvey, Elijah Muhammad, Malcolm X, Fanie Lou Hamer, etc. And in March 1967 in a memorandum to all field offices FBI director J. Edgar Hoover formally categorized

"The Negro youth and moderate must be made to understand that if they succumb to revolutionary teaching, they will be dead revolutionaries." The state would do this by systematically coordinating the operations of its means of repression with its means of mass communication and persuasion. The same document breaks it down this way: "The militant Negro makes spurious claims and charges...wherever this done it should be counteracted, but must be done in a medium which reaches the entire Negro population. There are papers and magazines which should be used...radio and especially TV should be utilized." This tactic, just one of the state's domestic counter-insurgency strategy, can be seen in full-scale operation in the repression of MOVE in Philadelphia over the past ten years.

Continuous Struggle, Permanent Repression

A book could be written on MOVE and still leave a great deal unsaid. Some pig or smelly white journalist probably will publish something or other not too long from now. Some basic background information on MOVE is perhaps useful to better comprehending the dynamics involved in the Philadelphia bombing of May 13th. It is a story of continuous struggle and permanent repression. The protagonist in this story is a less than perfect yet courageous MOVE, confronting a cowardly yet deadly political unit of the American Empire—the city of Philadelphia power elite and bureaucracy.

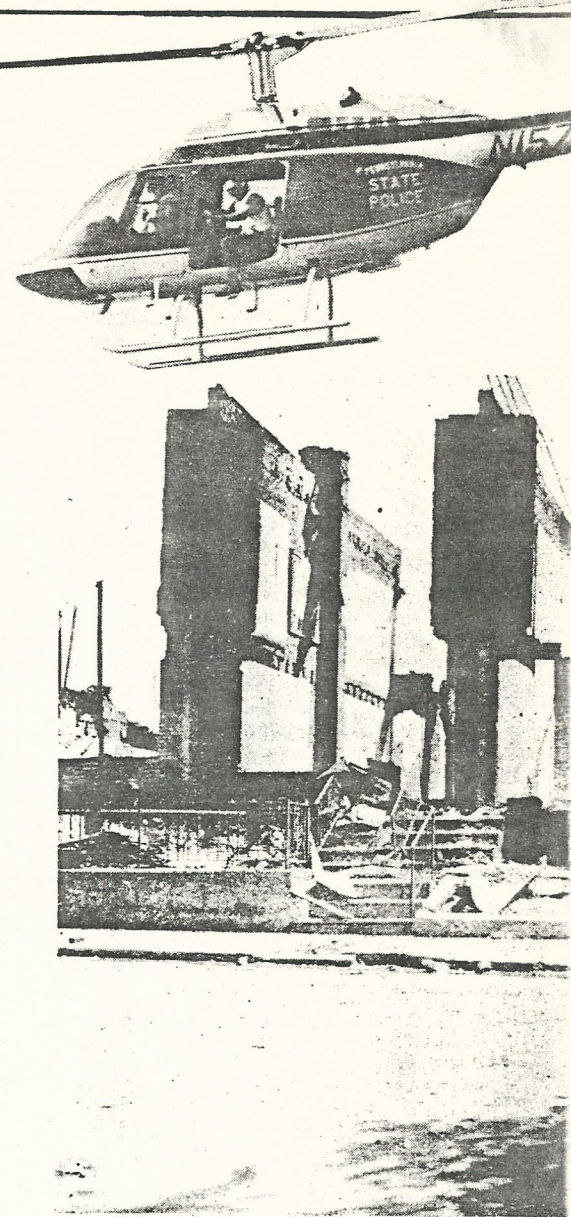
The story begins in the early 1970s when a mixed bag of radical community control activists, students and unreconstructed nationalists and anarchists came together to from "Operation MOVE." The guiding energy came from a brother named John Africa. MOVE's "naturalist" philosophy held that under the rule of the profit-oriented elites of the big corporations that technology was being used in an unnatural way against people and their environment. They believed that the first step to changing this situation was for all people, regardless of race or nationality, to move towards truth, righteousness and a more natural way of life (i.e., in harmony with nature). This philosophy, pursued in a grassroot, working class-based, militant manner, to MOVE members necessarily made them revolutionaries. It definitely did make Operation MOVE an enemy of the state and the profit-making elite of Philadelphia.

By 1974, Philadelphia mayor Frank Rizzo and his "mongoose gang", the Philly police department, under the watchful eye of Big Brother (the FBI), began a coordinated multilevel attack on MOVE. This could be seen in the increasingly negative and vituperative publicity directed against MOVE and petty police harassment. On another level it was also about intelligence gathering operations via electronic and human surveillance and infiltration. This was not to become clear however, until much later.

In 1977, a white MOVE member named Donald Glassey, a college grad and cohort of several Black MOVE members from the early seventies was assigned to set up an economic/fundraising extension of MOVE called Community Action Movement (CAM). Because of Glassey's relationship to CAM, his assigned duties of writing down the teachings that John Africa would verbalize, and his thoroughly white "i'm the leader" arrogance has been used by anti-MOVE propagandists to attribute to him a greater role inside MOVE than he actually occupied. This becomes important because in 1978 We discover Glassey turns out to be a government informant and state's witness in trials involving MOVE members.

Gentrification comes to Powelton Village

Throughout the U.S., large state universities are generally located near Black communities. To meet their expansionary needs these universities always push out in the direction of the Black community. This generally involves buying up property and

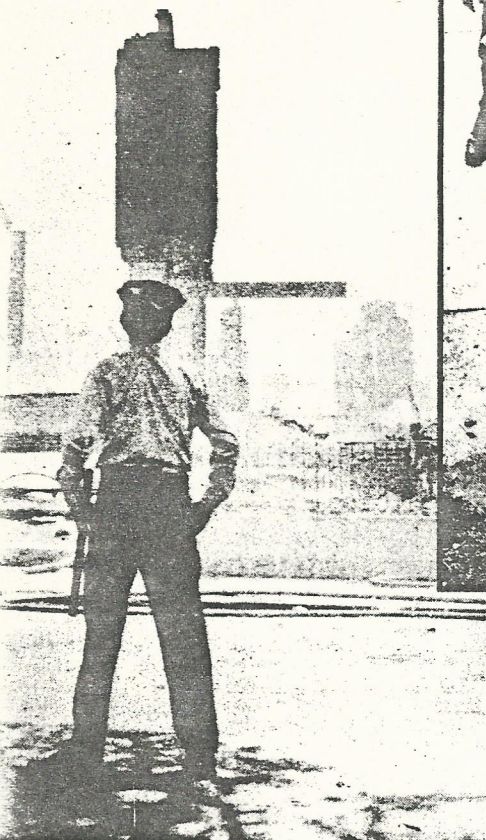


people to sell and move out, when the same one who has lowered the community property value comes in and offers a slightly better than market rate for the Black landowner to sell and move out. The other tactic is to buy up land build a sports complex, condominium or some such and thereby raise the tax assessment for property in the area to the point that Black landowners can no longer afford to pay these exorbitant property taxes and instead sell out. These same tactics were used against the residents of Powelton Village, another Black neighborhood in Philadelphia when MOVE members had homes. In fact, MOVE members occupied a home in an area the University of Pennsylvania had for a long time targeted for gentrification. They had planned to build and MOVE was an obstacle to those plans. On May 20th, 1977 the police announced its intentions to evict MOVE. Different trumped up allegations were being illegally used to move MOVE out. They claimed that there was a rat problem coming from the MOVE house when in fact it was coming from the adjacent areas that had already been depopulated by the university having acquired the property for purposes of gentrification. MOVE immediately announced that they would not be moved out of their home.

On June 16, the troops moved in. About 50 plainclothes police surround the MOVE building occupied then by some 50 adults and children. Police begin to put out that MOVE is armed and dangerous. Twelve MOVE members are arrested for disorderly conduct and criminal conspiracy for shouting obscenities at police officers. On December 22, 1978 a mistrial is declared against eight of the arrested MOVE members. A police officer testified he had seen photos of the eight before

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Police beating up MOVE member in 1978.

water, electricity, gas or fresh supplies of any kind. MOVE campaign of resistance lasted almost one year after the city announced its intentions to evict MOVE on May 29, 1977. While they were to make a strategic retreat on this battle, the war was far from over.

On May 11, the police barricade is lifted in the final phase of the negotiated settlement. MOVE members stated that by making this decision to end their campaign of resistance that they had proved that they were not martyrs or unreasonable, even where they employed stringent and dramatic tactics to make their point and to galvanize community support. Eighteen resisters are arrested and charged with riot and other criminal offenses. Unincarcerated MOVE members immediately return to the barricaded house and take the sidewalk across the street. Soon they will re-enter and defy the eviction order once again.

On August 3rd, Judge G. Fred Dibona orders 22 MOVE members arrested and held for a contempt of court hearing to determine if they had violated a court order to vacate the MOVE headquarters. On August 4th, two MOVE members are arrested in a weekend raid in Richmond, Virginia. Gayle Sims and Rhonda Ward Africa are charged with fugitive warrants and are forcibly extradited to Philadelphia.

In a show of pure pig power Rizzo sends in his troops on August 8th, 1978 to "teach MOVE once and for all whose boss." They stormed into Powelton Village without warning and opened fire on the MOVE house. The shooting was so intense that they ran out of bullets and had to send to a nearby National Guard armory for more bullets. Miraculously no MOVE members are killed, but 18 pigs are wounded, four critically injured and one patrolman, James Ramp, is killed. Rizzo and his army of overgrown pigs are infuriated. Their thirst for bloody revenge unquenched causes them to go berserk. Upon taking MOVE members into custody beastboys, officers Joseph Zagame, Charles Yeist and Terrence Mulvihill seized upon MOVE activist Brother Delbert (Orr) Africa and beat him to the point of death.

Black police officer Alphonso Deal further infuriated the Philly police establishment when he broke the traditional "code of silence" and criticized the establishment of Philadelphia.

Deal, a North Philly NAACP branch president, begins receiving threats against his life. The Guardian Civic League, an association of Black cops, immediately assigns a pair of off-duty plainclothes blueboys in lieu of the city's refusal to take these threats seriously.

Despite the position taken by Deal and broad community sympathy for Delbert Africa, the city cannot allow itself to show any mercy towards MOVE. Philly's powerful and thoroughly racist Fraternal Order of Police, moreover, will not permit any public denunciation or reprisals to be taken against these three member cops. On August 17, 1979 at a preliminary hearing police commissioner Joseph F. O'Neill comes to the aid of his men and testifies that Zagame, Geist and Mulvihill acted properly because Africa "wasn't a man, he was a *savage*!" The three cops would eventually come to trial (after lengthy measures to see that they got a 'fair' trial); but, on February 3, 1981 a predominately white jury would find them not guilty of "Grossly Excessive and Totally Unnecessary Force" in taking Brother Delbert into custody. They are right now back on the beat.

When Revolutionaries Speak, People Listen

While MOVE members on the outside recomposed themselves and attempted to continue the struggle, MOVE members on the inside did the same thing. MOVE founder and teacher John Africa is credited with instructing MOVE members to not subordinate political or philosophical principles because the enemy captures you and brings you out before their courts. Thus, when nine MOVE members were taken to trial for the August 8th killing of Patrolman James Ramp they at once acted to put their principles in command and to transform the state's courtroom into a platform from which they would expose the unjust and unreformable and uncivilized nature of the political establishment and call upon the masses of people to resist that establishment just as they had done when they were in the streets.

The 19-week trial, the longest in Philadelphia history, was in fact taken from the level of an exercise in criminal litigation to that of a political debacle. They made it clear from the start that the city government was out to railroad them to cover up their own beastiality as well as the over-zealous incompetence of the Philadelphia police department that led the assaulting forces on August 8th into shooting one another. They cited that the bullet that killed Ramp struck him from the back of the head, yet he was charging forward in the direction toward the MOVE house, not fleeing away from it. The nine MOVE members demanded to represent themselves, spurned court-appointed lawyers as friends of the prosecutors, accused judge Edwin Melman of prejudice and of rigging evidence in collaboration with assistant District Attorney Wilhelm Knauer, criticized the American 'Just Us' system as a farce, and ultimately objected to the entire proceedings as a railroad at which point Judge Melman had them removed from court and only permitted them to return to the courtroom after the State Supreme Court ruled that they had to be. A motion for

It was at this trial that Donald Glassey pops up as a state informant and a key witness for the prosecution. He was used to portray MOVE members as blood thirsty fanatics against no amount of police force would have been improper. Glassey would afterward be placed in the government's witness protection program, given a new identity and relocated somewhere in the U.S. all at the taxpayer's expense.

On May 9th, the jury would find the nine guilty of third degree murder. They would each be sentenced to 30-100 years in prison, ineligible for parole until the year 2008. These New Afrikans, whose actions on August 9th even if it were true that a bullet that they fired was the one that killed Ramp, were simply defending themselves against a murderous assault force whose mission was to summarily suppress their organization and its resistance to a court-ordered eviction that they viewed as an unjust act of political repression and

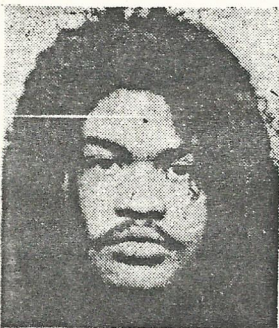
been no pre-trial identification. In October 1979, the remaining four of the original twelve are sentenced to 1-2 years in prison. MOVE maintains, however, their presence in the house.

In August of 1977 the Powelton Emergency Human Rights Group, made up of a few area residents and a so-called 'socialist cooperative' which had been buying up land in Powelton Village and which supported the University of Pennsylvania's gentrification policy, sues the City for failing to act against MOVE, barricaded now inside two buildings in Powelton Village. They ask for a court-ordered injunction against MOVE and claim that MOVE armed themselves in May to defend against eviction. Mayor Rizzo responds that a tighter blockade would be better and that he will wait them out. More than six months past when the Pennsylvania Supreme Court issues a permit to Philadelphia police to cut off essential services and to set up a full-scale blockade on March 16, 1978. The police come in with the barbed-wire fence and completely close off the MOVE members from the outside world. In April, however, 19 persons who attempt to take cash donations, food, and water to MOVE members are arrested. Enormous community pressure for baby food, and provisions to be allowed inside the house for the starving children begins to mount. On April 21st, the city agrees to this demand but MOVE members on principle grounds reject the offer. (Note: In this same month, on April 29, 1978 *The Klansman*, a magazine put out by the Ku Klux Klan, names Mayor Rizzo its "Racist Hero of the Month." Rizzo makes some weak disavowal of connections to the KKK, but will soon run for a third term as mayor on a 'vote white' platform.)

On May 4th, 1978 Rizzo's 'starve them out'

1985 — Big Brother is Alive and Well

Permanent repression as a strategic policy of bourgeois/imperialist rule means that following the August 8, 1978 shoot-in that counter-insurgency operations against the New Afrikan population in general, nor MOVE in particular does not cease. Even after the May 9, 1980 railroad of Delbert Africa, Charles Sims and the other seven MOVE members political repression does not cease. MOVE supporters, Consuelo Dotson and Sandra Dans were tried on murder charges in connection with the August 8th shoot-in, but on October 31, 1980 were acquitted. In 1980, Philly police drop on the MOVE members, but are fought off. On December 24, 1981 these three members would be convicted on charges stemming from this gun-battle. On May 27, 1981, John Africa (Vincent Leaphart) and Alphonso Robbins Africa are held on federal charges of conspiracy to manufacture and possess explosives. On July 23rd of that year a jury finds them innocent.



Frank James Africa
"Our religion is raw"

The city, state and federal law enforcement establishment maintains a constant level of surveillance and repression against "Key Black Extremists" in MOVE. Thus MOVE in 1985 has more than twelve political prisoners to their credit, one white turncoat on the loose, and a reported 600 arrests. With this background in mind our analysis of the causes and effects of the May 13th bombing can dispense with a number of absurd speculations and debates aired in the enemy press over this heightened act of new state repression and terror. One such piece of non-sense is the debate over whether the city administration made a "costly hesitation" in not moving on MOVE sooner. Gerald Africa, MOVE's Minister of Information asks that We consider that this bombing operation was part of a long-contemplated plan to exterminate MOVE "like roaches." He says the city first tried to brutally stamp them out, when that failed they then dropped the "roach bomb" to blow them out. Like roaches, however, he says MOVE survives.

On Moving Towards Revolution

Political stance alone, even a militant one, does not a revolutionary make. It has been said, though, that it is the first stage in the development of one. An important thesis of scientific socialism asserts that without revolutionary theory, there can be no revolutionary practice. This means that one's strategies, tactics, methods, objectives and vision also go into making one a revolutionary. MOVE's stance against u.s. imperialism is perhaps one of the most militant around. The bloods are fearless, courageous, don't-take-no-shit Afrikans who have been tested on the frontlines. They take pride in destroying Rizzo through the August 8th shoot-in and now with destroying Goode's regime through the May 13th bombing. Indeed, there is some truth to this point of view. MOVE, however, has to take a hard, honest look at their politics, their objectives,

strategies, tactics, and vision. Their practice has/is characterized by certain fundamental errors which are rooted in their malnourished ideological perspective.

We cannot afford mistakes. Amerika is killing us everyday and We got people running around playing musketeers with this computerized killing machine. When We see that our enemy's main strategem is to try and put our nation at odds with itself by segmenting us into manageable negroes and incorrigible niggers, We can't respond by aggravating that segmentation. NAPO calls for a unification movement of all sectors of our nation to struggle against Amerikan colonialism and for the independence of our people and their land — the Republic of New Afrika. All those who accept the u.s. government's divide and rule strategy — whether bourgeois-oriented or lumpen-oriented — undermine the struggle of the colonized working people of New Afrika to lead the entire nation to self-determination and liberation.

In Azania (South Afrika) today, We know that the masses are pouring gasoline on punk niggers like Philadelphia mayor Wilson Goode and former Managing Director Leo Brooks, setting them on fire, and singing and dancing while they burn. Indeed, We will be forced to deal with our traitors likewise. There are conflict forces inside the national unity that We are struggling to build. Right now, our struggle here cries out for a revolutionary analysis of the role of so-called Black mayors and elected officials. Elements of this analysis were developed in our editorial on the Jesse Jackson "Rainbow Coalition — Make America Great Again" Campaign (Vol. 1, No. 1). In the second part of this feature on MOVE, We will extend this analysis to the Philadelphia situation. We will look at the interaction between MOVE, the state apparatus and its local negro lackeys (Goode, Brooks, etc.) and the Black community.

Battle Creek

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Meanwhile, a white Commissioner moved to adjourn the meeting. By order of the Mayor, the meeting was adjourned.

A detective from Battle Creek police department then approached the Negro mayor Bristol and asked if Lumumba was disrupting the meeting. She responded yes. The Battle Creek cops then commenced to arrest Lumumba and Kalimara and Kenyatta, who were standing nearby. Zizwe was also arrested as he defended himself from a police assault. All four were charged with disrupting a public meeting and resisting and hindering Battle Creek police in making an arrest.

October 11, 1984 - Police Community Relations Meeting

One month before the November 13th meeting, on October 11, 1984, Coalition members and supporters attended a Police Community Relations Committee meeting and challenged the unlawful suspension of Joyce Clark from the committee. The meeting was adjourned by its white chairman, and the committee members left rather than to listen to and consider the challenge as presented by Kwame Kenyatta. Two weeks later, Kenyatta was arrested and charged with disrupting the Oct. 11, 1984 Police Community Relations Committee meeting. A trial date in this matter is currently pending in Battle Creek.

November 20, 1984 - City Commission Meeting

One week after the November 13, 1984 City Commission meeting, Lumumba, accompanied by Kenyatta and over fifty Coalition and NAPO members and supporters, and by workers from the Provisional Government of the Republic of New Afrika, returned to the Battle Creek City Commission meeting to speak on the issue of police terror and the November 13, 1984 arrests. Lumumba was arrested again by city cops as he attempted to enter the building in which the meeting was occurring. He was arrested on a warrant which charged him with disrupting the October 11, 1984 Police Community Relations Committee meeting. The warrant was signed by a notoriously racist Battle Creek judge named Magnotta.

Kenyatta, Abayomi and Joyce Clark did speak. Initially, the chair allowed them to do so. When Kenyatta denounced the Commission and the chair for anti-Black practices during his presentation, he was arrested and charged with another allegation of disrupting a public meeting.

Civil Suit Filed Against City, Police and the County

In April of 1985, NAPO members and the Coalition filed suits against the City Commission, the County and the police for violation of human and civil rights. In May of 1985, the new mayor, a white man, refused to allow Abayomi to speak at the Commission because of the suit. It should also be noted that in September of 1984, the police and Commission tried unsuccessfully to block a national protest march held in Battle Creek by NAPO and the Coalition.

Police Terror Has Long History in Battle Creek

former Coalition president, Kamau Kambui (s/n Robert Guy) in September of 1981. In June of 1979, the police brutally beat the present Coalition president, Abayomi Husan Abdul Karange (s/n Larry Guy, Sr.). Abayomi was left unconscious and nearly bled to death. Police planted a gun near his person as he laid in his own blood. the weapon was used to justify the beating and resulted in a conviction before an all-white Calhoun County jury about one year later. On several other occasions, Coalition members were attacked by Battle Creek police. In one instance, a 15 year old girl was blackjacked by a racist soldier/cop policeman. Battle Creek cops have been caught placing explosive devices outside the home of Husan and his elderly parents. A seven month old baby died as a result of her mother's (a Coalition member) unlawful incarceration for refusal to testify before a Grand Jury full of whites. The Grand Jury was convened as a method of crushing the Coalition. The baby's death resulted from emotional and physical problems cause by abrupt separation from the breast feeding of her mother.

Numerous trumped up assault and possession of explosives charges against Coalition members resulted from the Grand Jury proceedings. The City Commission condoned the actions of police and the Grand Jury. The Commission, moreover, suspended Joyce Clark, a Coalition member, from the Police Community Relations Committee, without a hearing, because of indictment on phony charges. Over 200 persons were subpoenaed to the Grand Jury. Many subpoenas were filled out by police as they canvassed the Black neighborhood seeking to solicit or coerce false testimony against Coalition members.

Organize and Mobilize to Fight Police Terror

The attacks on the Coalition and NAPO in Battle Creek are like the attacks on NAPO Chairman Lumumba in New York, on NAPO Secretary Akinyele Umoja and the Black Nation Day 3 in Atlanta, like the attack on the New York 8 in New York, and the ruthless murder of MOVE members in Philadelphia. This is the growth of new and pre-planned state repression, designed to permanently deprive New Afrikans of their freedom.

On June 29, 1985 in Battle Creek, Michigan, and on June 30, in Detroit, Michigan, the Coalition, NAPO, and several other participating organizations recently sponsored a state-wide mobilization against police terror, white racist violence, and the new state repression. A People's hearing against police terror, a short march and rally in Battle Creek and a forum on police terror, state repression, and white racist violence held at the Malcolm X Community Center for Black Survival are part of NAPO's midwest organizing and mobilizing New Afrikans to fightback against genocide and violations of our basic human rights. In New York, Los Angeles and Atlanta, We are sponsoring similar programs to raise the consciousness and the resistance of our people to those forces that oppose our Naional Liberation. Brothers and sisters We must all participate in this struggle some way or another, for We are our own liberators! The system that enslaves us, will never free us. Call NAPO at (313) 883-3312 or the Coalition at (616) 964-7669 for more information.

TO:
FROM: RAMONA AFRICA, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATION FOR THE MOVE ORG.

ONA MOVE! This mailing is to update all of our supporters and interested people on where things are with this organization right now. First, let me inform and remind you that I'm still doing speaking engagements and I encourage you to assist me in arranging some. My fee is negotiable but lodging (if necessary) and transportation for two is mandatory -my family wont have traveling alone. Suggested sources for speaking engagements are universities, colleges, high schools and community organizations. I also welcome talk/news programs on both the radio and television since it is extremely important to clear up all the misinformation people have in their heads about MOVE.

As you know, we have nine sisters and brothers in prison serving 30-100 years sentences from the aug. 8, 1978 confrontation between MOVE and this system. All of their appeals are exhausted so the last legal procedure available to them is something called a post conviction petition (P.C.R.A.). This petition can get their convctions overturned or their sentences reduced. All nine of my sisters and brothers will be in court for these petitions on Feb. 17, 1994

We have a sister (Consuewila) and a brother (Carlos) that have long been eligible for parole but they remain in prison because the Pa. parole board insisted that MOVE members completely disassociate ourself from our religion (the teaching of our Founder and Coordinator, JOHN AFRICA), and have absolutely no contact with any MOVE person. No committed MOVE member would ever accept such a traitorous stipulation so we have remained in prison. On Oct. 20, 1993, our brother Carlos had a parole interview and our sister Consuewella was interviewed on Nov. 9, 1993.

They were each informed that this stipulation is now lifted and that they were being paroled once their home and job plan is approved by the parole board. LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA!!!

Our brother chuck was temporarily transferred from the state prison in Pittsburgh, Pa. to the state prison at Camp Hill, Pa. so he can proceed with a federal law suit he filed against Camp Hill prison officials because he was viciously attacked by gaurds for no reason during the Camp Hill riots of 1989. It will be a jury trial and it will be held at the federal court house in Harrisburg, Pa.

There has been a recommendation from Magistrate Wm F. Hall in the federal law suit I filed against this system based on the May 13, 1985 bombing and massacre of me and my family. Magistrate Hall's recommendation to Judge Louis POLLACK -who will try the case when it goes to court- is that Wilson Goode and Leo Brooks (the managing director), policemen Frank Powell and Wm. Klein (the cops that made and dropped the bomb on us) and several other cops involved in bombing us, be dropped from the suit because bombing us was not excessive force. Magistrate Hall says they did what any reasonable person in their position would do. I'm enclosing several news articles on the issue for your information. The question now is - If bombing innocent men, women, babies, and animals in a row house is not excessive force, WHAT IS? We had not been convicted of anything when we were bombed, so we were in fact innocent according to system standards, based on legal laws saying ██████ you're innocent until proven guilty. At this point, it is just a recommendation, Judge Pollak can issue an order either accepting or rejecting the recommendation, in part or in whole. I'm preparing to file objections to this recommendation so Judge Pollak can review them before making the final decision

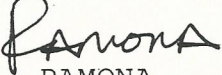
Depending on Judge Pollak's ruling, I have the option of appealing to the third circuit court of appeals.

This is generally where things are now with the MOVE org.. If you have any questions or want more specific information; if you want to arrange a speaking engagement or a talk/news program for me to do , you can contact me at (215) 387-9955. For those of you that have written me during the past year without getting a response, please know that I am not ignoring you. I have been extremely busy and traveling a lot, I just couldnt get to my mail til now. Finally, postage and xeroxing is a tremendous expense for me and the organization so we encourage you to help out by sending stamps or donations (preferably U.S. postal money orders made out to Ramona Johnson Africa)

Thanks for all your support and listen out for more information on Consuewella and Carlos release.

IN MOVE LAW WE TRUST,
ALL PRAISES TO THE ORDER OF LIFE,
THE POWER OF TRUTH IS FINAL,
LONG LIVE MOVE,
LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION,
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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

Report Finds City Liable in MOVE Fire *Not Responsible for Explosive*

By LISA BRENNAN
Of the Legal staff

U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE WILLIAM Hall yesterday recommended that former Police Commissioner Gregor Sambor, former Fire Commissioner William Richmond and the City of Philadelphia be held liable for letting the fire burn in the deadly 1985 police confrontation with MOVE, but found the same defendants and 10 others immune from Ramona Africa's claim that they used excessive force in dropping an explosive device.

Looking through a narrower lens than he had used in a March 1992 recommendation on the issue of which defendants are entitled to qualified immunity, Hall found that all 13 could have believed that, after exhausting feasible alternatives to the explosive, using the



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device was consistent with principles embodied in *Tennessee v. Garner* 471 U.S. 1 (1985), a case cited by U.S. District Judge Louis Pollak when he remanded the matter to Hall last December.

Hall's report and recommendation will be considered by Pollak. Africa is demanding a jury trial on her claim that former city officials used excessive force in executing search and seizure warrants when police and other officials dropped an explosive on her home on May 13, 1985, and let the ensuing fire burn down an entire block.

"I conclude that a reasonable person in each of the defendants' positions could have believed that

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the use of an explosive device to remove the bunker from the roof and to provide access to the interior of the house for tear gas was necessary to 'prevent death or serious bodily injury' to the police officers on the scene or other persons," Hall, who is retiring on Dec. 31, wrote in a 56-page report released yesterday.

A COMPROMISE?

Not having read Hall's recommendation and report yesterday, Ramona Africa said it sounded like a "big compromise," considering that Hall had previously denied summary judgment motions on qualified immunity grounds filed by former Mayor Goode, former Managing Director Leo Brooks, Sambor, Richmond, Lt. Frank Powell (who dropped the device,) former police Officer William Klein (who made it,) Morris Demsko and Richard Reed (both state troopers who provided the helicopter.)

"They brought that C-4 out there ready to use it," Africa said yesterday after hearing all the defendants were exonerated for the explosive-drop charge. "It wasn't a last-minute plan. They justified it because they couldn't effect an arrest any other way."

Andre Dennis of Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, who is Africa's back-up counsel in the case, had not read the opinion yesterday and was unwilling to comment.

Hall said that while Ramona Africa didn't demonstrate that any of the defendants violated her constitutional rights in dropping the explosive: "The decision to let the fire burn, however, is an entirely different matter."

JURY DECISION

Africa, the sole adult to survive the disaster that left six adults and five children dead, alleges that Sambor and others deliberately refused or failed to extinguish the fire even after it had destroyed the bunker and spread to inside the MOVE house at 6221 Osage Ave. Hall wrote that this would be a matter for a jury to decide.

He said the only defendants who could have been involved in the failure to extinguish the fire were former Mayor Goode, former Managing Director Leo Brooks, Sambor and Richmond. Combining through depositions taken by Africa, Hall found the decision to let it burn was made

Hall analyzed the defendants' contention that the Pennsylvania "deadly-force" statute, 18 Pa.C.S.A 508, would provide authorization for the use of fire under the circumstances existing at the MOVE residence on May 13, 1985, to drive the MOVE occupants from the building.

"The question presented here is whether, after the fire had destroyed the roof-top bunker, there remained any reasonable basis for the police to believe that allowing the fire to burn was necessary to quell some perceived imminent peril," Hall wrote. "I conclude there was not."

PERCEIVED DANGER

According to Police Commissioner Sambor, who was in command of the police field operations, Hall wrote, the danger to Sambor's police officers was posed by the bunker. When the fire destroyed that structure, Hall said the principal source of perceived danger was eliminated.

Hall concludes that had the City of Philadelphia defendants deliberately allowed the MOVE house to continue burning as a means of forcing surrender, the circumstances under which such action was taken would not justify the protection of qualified immunity.

Then Hall considered whether Africa has proved that the fire was the result of constitutionally violative behavior. He found her response to the summary judgment motions contained no proof to rebut or contest Goode and Brooks. As for Sambor and Richmond, Hall found evidence of their participation in letting the fire burn.

"It is undisputed that each of them shared the decision to let the fire burn," Hall wrote. "Because that decision, in my view, was not justified by a peril to police officers or others, that decision amounts to unconstitutional excessive force subjecting defendants Sambor and Richmond to liability unless they can convince a factfinder of facts that warranted letting the fire burn."

Hall noted that Africa also alleges that, "MOVE people, includin (sic) our babies, screamed repeatedly that we're bringin (sic) the children out but we continued to encounter gunfire which interfered with and/or prevented our escape from the burnin (sic) building and left my family burned or shot to death."

Hall found the allegation "can be taken as an assertion that unnamed members of the Philadelphia police used gunfire to

force the plaintiff and other occupants of the MOVE house back into the burning building when they sought to leave and surrender, and further, that such tactic was part of an officially sanctioned plan of action against MOVE."

"If this allegation is true," Hall wrote, "such conduct would be, in my view, so maliciously sadistic and shocking to the conscience of civilized people that no known standard of qualified immunity could insulate the perpetrators from suit or liability. Such a tactic would have as its sole purpose the death of or serious injury to the plaintiff, without giving her an option of avoiding that consequence by surrender."

SOME CLAIMS FAIL

Hall found that Africa's claim that the actions of the Philadelphia police in assaulting the MOVE house, and the actions of other governmental officials, deprived her of the freedoms of religion, speech, and association guaranteed by the First and 14th amendments of the Constitution, must fail for lack of evidence.

He said the City of Philadelphia's summary judgment motion must be denied because the decision to let the MOVE house burn, resulting from decisions by Commissioners Sambor and Richmond, "must be deemed a policy decision and thus could subject the City itself to liability."

Hall spends several pages discussing Africa's pending state claims against all of the defendants — that defendants' actions "were extreme, outrageous, intentional and reckless; that, as a direct result of these actions, plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer from emotional trauma and physical injuries in the form of severe burns that are permanent scars; and that the actions are careless, negligent and/or constituted assault and battery and other unlawful conduct by defendants."

Hall found the City of Philadelphia liable on Africa's state claims arising out of the actions of defendants Sambor, Klein, Powell, Tursi, Revel and Connor (who provided the C-4).

Assistant City Solicitor Jane Hicks could not be reached for comment on the case. Sambor attorney John Morris was not available either. Appeals are expected.

(Copies of the 56-page decision in Ramona Africa v. City of Philadelphia et al. are available from The Legal Intelligencer. Please consult the Full-Text Order Form found most days on Page 3.)

PHILA. INQUIRER
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Judge: Drop Goode from MOVE suit

The defendants should be the city and its former police and fire commissioners, he said. Another judge must rule.

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Former Mayor W. Wilson Goode should be dropped as a defendant in Ramona Africa's civil lawsuit for the 1985 MOVE disaster because he played no role in the decision not to fight the fatal fire that gutted MOVE's compound, a federal magistrate judge has recommended.

The magistrate judge, William F. Hall Jr., concluded in essence that the city might have had good reason to bomb MOVE's rowhouse, but that it was wrong to stand by and not

fight the fire started by the bomb.

For that reason, Hall recommended that former Police Commissioner Gregore J. Sambor and former Fire Commissioner William C. Richmond, as well as the city itself, remain defendants in Africa's lawsuit.

That means these two former high-ranking city officials could still be held liable for their choice to let the fire burn. It ultimately gutted two city blocks.

Such a civil trial would be the first time the tragedy had been examined in an adversarial, courtroom setting. Previously, state and federal grand juries have examined the conduct of city leaders and elected to bring no charges.

Eleven occupants of the bunker-equipped and fortified MOVE house, including five children, were found dead after the May 13, 1985, disaster.

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Hall's recommendations were contained in a 56-page report sent Wednesday to U.S. District Judge Louis H. Pollak, who can accept, reject or modify them.

Besides Goode, Hall recommended that former Managing Director Leo Brooks be dropped as a defendant from the lawsuit, on the ground that he also should be immune from any such suit.

Hall said that the mayor and his managing director played no role in the decision not to fight the fire — a move improvised on the spot by Richmond and Sambor.

The magistrate judge — a U.S. District Court expert on MOVE-related litigation — also urged Pollak to strike as defendants four other less prominent people sued by Africa. Among them were former Lt. Frank Powell, who was the officer who actually dropped the bomb, and former Officer William Klein, who helped make it.

Hall noted that state law permits police to use deadly force in making an arrest when they believe the force is needed to prevent bodily harm to officers or others. He said that MOVE had shown its willingness to cause such harm by its history of threats and its gunfire when police sought to arrest four MOVE members that May 13, triggering the confrontation.

Thus, he said, "I conclude that a

reasonable person in each of the defendants' position could have believed that the use of an explosive device to remove the bunker from the roof and provide access to the interior of the house for tear gas was necessary" to prevent death to police or others at the scene.

Hall added: "The decision to let the fire burn, however, is an entirely different matter."

Once the blaze started by the bomb had destroyed MOVE's gunslit-equipped bunker, Hall said, "the principal source of perceived danger was eliminated" and the commanders at the scene — Sambor and Richmond — no longer had reason to let the fire burn.

Doing so, he wrote, "amounts to

unconstitutional excessive force subjecting defendants Sambor and Richmond to liability unless they can convince a fact-finder of facts that warranted letting the fire burn."

Goode declined to comment on Hall's recommendations last night, but Ramona Africa, who was the only adult MOVE member to survive the fire, angrily called Hall's report "an insult to people's common sense."

"He was saying there was no excessive force. If dropping a bomb on a rowhome with men, women, babies and animals in it is not excessive force, then what is?" she asked.

As for the recommendation that Sambor and Richmond alone face trial on her suit, she said, "I'm not minimizing their decision to let the

fire burn. But I'm saying that without the bomb being dropped, there would be no fire."

The city has been defending itself in court with city lawyers, and it has paid the private lawyers representing each of the defendants.

By law, the City of Philadelphia, if found guilty of violating someone's rights, would only be liable for compensatory damages. Governments may not be ordered to pay punitive damages.

However, should they lose at trial, punitive awards could be assessed against Richmond or Sambor as individuals. But according to a private lawyer involved in the case, the cost of any such punitive award would be borne by the city treasury.

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MOVE fire, not bomb, cited by magistrate

His ruling advances Ramona Africa's suit

by Jim Smith

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The tragic decision not to extinguish a fire atop the fortified MOVE house in 1985 continues to haunt former Philadelphia Police Commissioner Gregore Sambor and ex-Fire Chief William Richmond.

And the city, too.

For the second time in 18 months, U.S. Magistrate William F. Hall Jr., acting on a civil suit filed by Ramona Africa, recommended against granting immunity to Sambor and Richmond for the admittedly disastrous tactic of letting the fire burn.

The tactic amounted to possible "unconstitutional excessive force," the magistrate wrote, alluding to the deaths of six adults and five children inside the MOVE house and the destruction of some 60 other homes.

Hall, however, reversed himself on another position he'd taken last year, by recommending that the city, Sambor and Richardson, and other officials, including former Mayor W. Wilson Goode, ex-Managing Director Leo Brooks and several police officers, be exonerated of any liability for dropping

ping a bomb on the MOVE house.

The magistrate recommended that Africa's civil suit proceed to trial only against the city, Sambor and Richmond, and only on the issue of letting the fire burn.

Hall's mixed ruling was described as "utterly ridiculous" by Africa, the lone adult MOVE member to survive the May 13, 1985, catastrophe. She is suing the defendants for using excessive force and violating her civil rights.

"If dropping a bomb on babies, on men, women and animals, as a means of effecting arrest, is not excessive force, than what is?" she asked.

"Everyone should be outraged by such a ruling.

"This isn't an issue that's limited to MOVE. You saw it in Waco," Africa added.

The bodies of six adults and five children were found in the ashes of the MOVE house.

Sixty neighboring houses were destroyed after police in a day-long confrontation and gun-battle with occupants of the MOVE house dropped a bomb on the rooftop bunker, starting a fire that spread out of control.

"I conclude that a reasonable

person in each of the defendants' position could have believed that the use of an explosive device ... was necessary to 'prevent death or serious bodily injury' to the police officers on the scene or other persons," Hall wrote.

"The decision to let the fire burn, however, is an entirely different matter."

"It is undisputed that each of them [Sambor and Richmond] shared the decision to let the fire burn," the magistrate wrote in a 54-page report filed Wednesday.

"Because that decision, in my view, was not justified by a peril to police officers or others, that decision amounts to unconstitutional excessive force subjecting defendants Sambor and Richmond to liability unless they can convince a factfinder of facts that warranted letting the fire burn," the magistrate added.

"The question presented here is whether, after the fire had destroyed the roof-top bunker, there remained any reasonable basis for the police to believe that allowing the fire to burn was necessary to quell some perceived imminent peril.

"... I conclude there was not," Hall wrote.

"I cannot imagine how a decision to squirt water onto the flames would have made it more difficult to force the surrender of people in a building with no roof and probably full of smoke."

The case now goes to U.S. District Judge Louis H. Pollak for further review.

Sambor's attorney, John W. Morris, said he would ask Pollak to reject Hall's recommendation and grant immunity to Sambor.

"There's no evidence anybody let the fire burn in order to force people out of the building," Morris insisted.

"The ultimate catastrophe of the fire was not intended but happened simply because the firemen couldn't fight the fire," Morris added.

Nolan Atkinson, Goode's attorney, said he couldn't comment until he reads Hall's report.

Brooks' lawyer, Steven R. Waxman, said the report "properly reflects that former Managing Director Brooks did what he thought was reasonably necessary and proper under all the circumstances that existed."

Deputy City Solicitor E. Jane Hix said the city hasn't decided what its next step will be, but she insisted the report exonerates the city from what she calls the "bigger issue"—the dropping of the bomb. ■

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MOVE survivor Ramona Africa



Richmond



Sambor

Tuesday, October 12, 1985

Editorials

Will Sambor Be Tried At Last?

Last week, federal Magistrate William F. Hall concluded it was wrong not to have fought the blaze sparked by the bomb Philadelphia police dropped on the MOVE house in May 1985, in a ruling involving a civil lawsuit filed by Ramona Africa.

Hall recommended that former Police Commissioner Gregore J. "Let The Bunker Burn" Sambor remain a defendant in the suit.

Sambor should have stood trial locally for his actions/inactions on May 13, 1985. But Sambor was never tried, thanks to politically expedient

determinations of two former district attorneys — Mayor Ed Rendell and his successor, Ron Castille, who is currently running for a seat on the state Supreme Court.

Letting the MOVE house burn, according to Hall's ruling, "amounts to unconstitutional excessive force . . ." Surely legal eagles Rendell and Castille should have known that and required Sambor to stand trial on reckless endangerment charges, as they did for lesser citizens charged with lesser acts of apparent recklessness.

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After the unjust arrest, conviction and sentencing of nine innocent MOVE people to a total of nine-hundred years in prison for the accusation of murderin one policeman with one bullet; after exhaustin system procedures such as: appeals, petitions, meetings with system officials, etc., which thanks only to JOHN AFRICA, MOVE people knew wouldn't work, we start puttin some MOVE heat on this system. MOVE didn't exhaust system procedures thinkin such procedures would work, we exhaust-ed those procedures to crystalize to those who do believe in this system that such procedures don't work and to justify the confrontational position we know we must take against this menace called the system. Thru the MOVE ORGANIZATION, JOHN AFRICA intensified the pressure on this system to release innocent MOVE people from prison based on MOVE people's innocence. MOVE people got on a loud speaker and exposed the on-goin official conspiracy against us, we encouraged people to verify our statements about this conspiracy thru court records, newspapers, etc. This strategy given to us by JOHN AFRICA put so much pressure on system officials that they became desperate to relieve the pressure, the MOVE heat they feel. The problem is, rather than relieve the pressure by doin the right thing and releasin innocent MOVE people from prison as they are legally obligated to do, officials are so poison that they chose to assassin-ate MOVE people, includin children, to try to shut us up and ultimately to try to stop JOHN AFRICA. That is what the May 13, 1985 confrontation is really about. Officials know MOVE people are innocent, they have always known MOVE is innocent, but conspired to put MOVE people in prison anyway, as an attempt to break us; to break up JOHN AFRICA's MOVE ORGANIZATION; as an attempt to stop JOHN AFRICA. Puttin innocent MOVE people in prison is not incidents of unintentional mistakes, it is a deliberate, on-goin, official conspiracy that have nothin to do with enforcin legality, those in authority care absolutely nothin about legality. When it comes to MOVE, system officials are only interested in breakin up the MOVE ORGANIZATION, stoppin JOHN AFRICA and they-only cite legality as a feeble excuse to try to justify the atrocities they have spit on us. MOVE aint forgot, aint never gone forget Mayor Goode sayin publically

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that he wants a "permanent end" to MOVE and that he intended to seize control of our house "by any means necessary." Officials want people to believe that they simply came out to 62nd and Osage Ave. on May 13, 1985 to arrest people that they had warrants for, nothin more, but below are some facts that completely dispute that lie.

On May 13th, officials came out to MOVE headquarters armed with tear gas, M-16's, 9mm uzis, 30.06 sniper rifles with silencers, .357 magnums, 12 gauge shotguns, .22 rifles, Thompson machine guns, Browning automatic rifles, M-60 machine guns, .50 caliber machine guns and bombs (to name some of what officials had on May 13th) and four warrants. These warrants were for Theresa, Conrad, Frank and Ramona Africa and related to the events of April 29, 1985 when MOVE people noticed armed policemen all around the back of MOVE headquarters so turned on the loud-speaker and started exposin the situation to the neighborhood. Now while this happened on April 29, 1985, no action was taken til two whole weeks later on May 11, 1985, that's when policeman Ted Vaughn filed a criminal complaint and prosecutor Bernard Segal approved it. Now May 11, 1985 was a Saturday, so Segal had to go to the home of the emergency judge, Lynne Abraham, who signed the warrants. Officials want people to believe that May 13, 1985 was a matter of MOVE engagin in some diabolical criminal activity that required hundreds of cops and all the heavy artillery named above, officials devisin the safest plan they could of tryin to arrest MOVE people and protect the children but things just goin haywire, gettin out of control but it aint that way at all. This is a matter of JOHN AFRICA's MOVE ORGANIZATION confrontin this putrid system uncompromisingly; exposin the injust, filth, corruption of this system; refusin to accept innocent MOVE family members rottin in prison, not for committin crime but for bein committed to the principle of righteousness and havin the system wage an all out war to try to break our committment to righteousness. Officials did not get warrants for MOVE people as a matter of legal procedure then decide how to serve the warrants; they decided they wanted to come after MOVE people at 62nd & Osage, devised they diabolical plan for ex-

terminatin us, then looked for some type of legal justification for what they planned to do. Officials devised the plan they implemented on May 13, 1985, almost a year before warrents was issued on May 11, 1985. Obviously the plans for May 13th were not devised between May 11th and May 13th. Remember, these warrents pertained to the events of April 29, 1985, and officials have yet to explain what made something as simple as MOVE people talkin on a loud speaker April 29th, suddenly become so urgent that officials had to go to the home of the emergency judge on a Saturday to get these warrents signed when officials had treated the situation so casual that they didn't take action for two whole weeks. Under the excuse of servin these warrents, hundreds of cops came out to MOVE headquarters armed for war at a time they knew everybody would be in the house, includin our children because they intention was to kill everybody in that house. MOVE people walked the streets regularly before May 13th, oftentimes alone. There was overwhelmin opportunity to arrest MOVE people away from MOVE headquarters without a confrontation if that's all officials wanted to do. MOVE people took our children over to Cobbs Creek Park everyday, there was overwhelmin opportunity for officials to pick up MOVE children if they priority was to make sure the children were safe when the police implemented they diabolical plans on May 13th, but that aint what officials wanted because they refused to pick up MOVE children and take them into so-called protective custody even though they had a court order to do so. In fact, on May 12, 1985, police stationed at 62nd & Osage moved a police barricade to allow MOVE children to gain entry onto Osage Ave. and get back into MOVE headquarters, knowin they were about to attack us. How come officials can be so adamant about enforcin a warrant, a court order to take four MOVE adults in custody to the point they drop a bomb on us, then use fire as a weapon against us and at the same time refuse to act on a court order to take MOVE children into custody for the so called protection of the children, how can officials explain that. Officials knew there were children in that house, they knew there was people in MOVE headquarters that they didn't have warrents for but since they assumed they were all MOVE people, officials

aint give them no consideration, they simply executed them. Ramona Africa, the only adult survivor of the May 13th holocaust, is also the only person involved in that confrontation to be arrested - not to mention prosecuted, convicted, sentenced to prison (for seven years). While Ramona was arrested immediately as if officials knew exactly what happened that day, officials of this system that murdered innocent MOVE people, including children, were "investigated" for 3½ years as if officials didn't know what happened and were tryin to find out what happened, yet if they don't know what happened, how do they explain arrestin Ramona Africa on charges stemming from the May 13th confrontation. Ramona was arrested and arraigned on charges stemmin from the events of April 29, 1985 and the events of May 13, 1985 but as a result of pressure, Judge Stiles dismissed all the charges relatin to April 29th, it was just too obvious the charges could not be substantiated. Dismissin these charges dismissed the very reason police used to try to justify bein at MOVE headquarters tryin to arrest MOVE people on May 13th, that alone should have nullified any charges against Ramona stemmin from the events of May 13th since the charges came about as a direct result of officials tryin to make an arrest on unsubstantiated charges. Judge Stiles would not dismiss charges from May 13th because after dismissin the April 29th charges, the May 13th charges was the only thing holdin Ramona so dismissin the May 13th charges would mean releasin her from prison, something officials would never do despite legality. The trial proceeded with jury selection and it was clear that Judge Stiles was illegally slantin the trial toward the prosecutor and against Ramona by illegally slantin the make up of the jury because he deliberately eliminated people from the selection process that said they believe Ramona is innocent, even though according to legal laws a juror must believe a defendant is innocent til the prosecutor proves guilt. Judge Stiles further slanted the trial against Ramona by excusin the two policemen that made and dropped the bomb on MOVE people from answerin any questions, from takin the witness stand at all, supposedly because the answers to questions they would be asked would incriminate them but nobody could possibly know that til a question is asked.

Self incrimination can not be predetermined before a question is asked because when you don't know what the question is you can not evaluate the answer. This was just a devious tactic to protect those two policemen and prevent any information from comin out about how officials bombed us and murdered innocent MOVE people. Ramona Africa was convicted of riot and conspiracy but the conspiracy charge, which started out as three different conspiracy charges (conspiracy to assault, conspiracy to riot, conspiracy to resist arrest) had been combined by Judge Stiles into one conspiracy charge that listed riot, assault and resistin arrest as the things Ramona supposedly conspired to do, so when the jury convicted her of conspiracy and Judge Stiles dismissed the jury he could not know what exactly they were convictin Ramona of, Judge Stiles should never have consolidated the three conspiracy charges but since he did that, and since the jury convicted Ramona of conspiracy Stiles should have dismissed the conviction on this charge thru what's called an "Arrest of Judgment of Conviction". Instead of doing this, Stiles made an arbitrary decision, a guess that the jury intended to convict Ramona of conspiracy to riot and entered this on court records as if it was comin from the jury. In other words, Stiles took on the role of juror and convicted Ramona Africa of conspiracy to riot, not the jury. As for the riot charge itself, there should be no doubt that it was not Ramona Africa or no other MOVE people who rioted on May 13, 1985, it is the hundreds of cops that invaded Osage Ave., surrounded MOVE headquarters bearin the artillery of war, evacuatin the neighborhood, explodin bombs, burnin down whole city blocks and murderin MOVE people that are really guilty of riot, arson, causin a catastrophe, attempted murder and murder. Understand, Ramona Africa is in prison for seven years for protestin the unjust imprisonment of innocent MOVE family members, while the officials that murdered MOVE people, including children, are walkin the streets. This is what this system calls justice, but MOVE ain't acceptin it and ain't never gone accept it cause it ain't just, it ain't right. MOVE or nobody else have to accept injustice from this system and nobody can substantiate that injustice should be accepted on any level. This is the profound

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wisdom of JOHN AFRICA THE COORDINATOR that nobody can dispute. To quote
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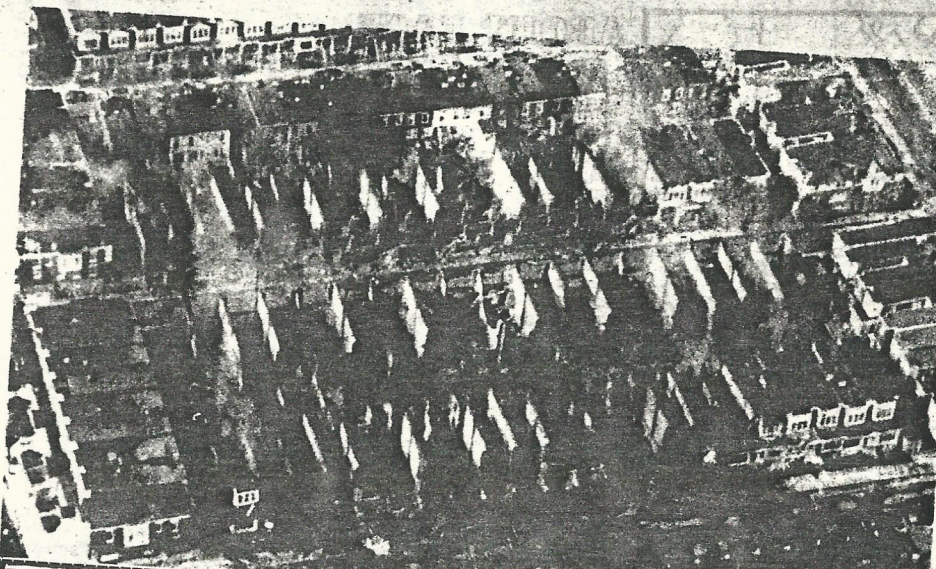
by Sandy McCroskey

On May 13, Philadelphia police murdered four (black) children and seven (black) adults who were part of the MOVE organization, in a search-and-destroy mission which climaxed in the dropping of a 2½ lb. plastique bomb directly on gallons of gasoline stored in cans on the roof of their house, creating a 7,000-degree blast and conflagration which destroyed sixty other homes.

Accounts by Ramona and Birdie Africa, the two survivors of this deathtrap, stand in stark contrast to the various contradictions in the official disinformation, and the conclusion must be drawn that the police opened fire with automatic weapons as the children and adults, intending to surrender, attempted to leave by a back entrance.

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This page, top: Osage, 62nd and Pine Streets; left: Birdie Africa, naked and suffering second degree burns, in back of patrol car; bottom: Louise James, owner of the MOVE house, restrained by police. Opposite page, right: man and child look down from roof shortly before the onslaught. A gasoline can is clearly visible in Philadelphia Inquirer photo, with diagram, showing the roof four hours before the bomb was dropped.

MOVE MASSACRE

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start of the fire was not until 25 minutes after the bomb was dropped, when flames again became visible thru the smoke from a block away. Water cannons, which earlier in the day had barraged the fortified bunker on the roof with 60,000 gallons of water, were kept inactive for two hours. Although these cannons had been aimed from behind two rows of houses, the police maintained that their use would entail risking the lives of firemen.

The cops say that when the fire was "accidentally" started, it was at first allowed to go on burning in the hope that it would damage the bunker. At one point, Police Commissioner Gregore Sambor, a retired major in the Army Reserve, let it slip that the fire was allowed to continue after the bunker dropped off the roof to see if the inhabitants would be driven out. For a time, the police even trained their guns on firemen to keep the hoses off.

When Mayor Goode announced to the press that the city would be taking action against MOVE, he cited as justification the charges in the warrants issued for the arrests of several MOVE members, that MOVE was stockpiling "weapons, ammunition, and possibly enough explosives to blow up the entire neighborhood and create an international incident." Goode now says that he would have vetoed the bomb if he had suspected that there were explosives in the house! (You would think that with the extensive, expensive surveillance of MOVE by both federal and city agencies over the last year and a half, they would have known about the gas for the electrical generator.)

At 7:30 pm, when the MOVE house was totally engulfed in flames, Mayor Goode announced success: "We have secured the house." Goode says that he was alarmed himself when he noticed, thanks to Channel 10's exclusive live coverage, that nothing was being done to check the fire. A quick call to Managing Director (since resigned) Leo Brooks, a former 2-star general in Viet Nam, assured him that there was no alternative. Even in the ashens dawn, with an indeterminate number of dead and 250 people homeless, the City stood by its plan. "You don't go back and cry over spilled milk," said the Mayor. "We are all very big people..." (There were, Mr. Goode, at least four people directly involved who were not very big at all.)

"What we have here," he explained, "is the worst case scenario." Scenario, indeed.

Anyone watching, like the Mayor, at home, could only know so much about what was going on out there. We all saw the State Police helicopter drop the bomb, because the roof of the house, at least, was visible from the police barricades, which kept the public and the press from any direct view of the operation. The official

The fire started by the bomb was three times as intense as an ordinary gasoline fire. An accident? One policeman who went up in a helicopter earlier that day said, "Of course I saw the cans of gasoline. They were so obvious that I didn't think it was worth mentioning." Philadelphia Inquirer photos taken four hours before the blast clearly show three cans plainly labelled "gasoline." MOVE members had been seen, and shown on television, carrying gasoline to the roof, and had announced over their bullhorn the previous midnight that they had doused the adjacent houses. Neighbors, who had heard the glass breaking in the skylights, informed the police of this, to no avail. The man who dropped the bomb says that he assumed that the cans would have been punctured in the police gunfire and that all the gasoline would have run off the roof by that time. Of course, what hadn't seeped into the wooden beams scattered about the roof was just washed around the block, which may ac-

count for reports that the fires on Pine Street started on the first floors of the houses, although at least one person claims to have seen police entering those houses to start those fires.

Obfuscation, Smoke-screens & Lies

The administration has adamantly refused to refer to the satchel of explosives dropped on the MOVE home as a "bomb." "Explosive device" was scaled down to "concussion device," which became, for one of Mr. Goode's memorable television appearances, a "percussion device." At this point, the official euphemism is "entry device." The substance that the police claim to have used is Tovex TR-2, which was designed to blow holes in soil and rock for mining excavations. Experts state that there is a better than 50-50 chance of Tovex starting a fire, even without the presence of especially flammable materials. According to DuPont, the detonation of Tovex throws off a heat

wave that can range from 3,000 to 7,000 degrees Fahrenheit. But no one consulted knew of it ever being tested above ground. This may all be rather academic anyway, as a police log found on the scene cites the substance used as "C-4," which is even more dangerous.

Accounts differ as to when the actual decision was made to use the bomb. The police claim to have been testing Tovex for months earlier, but Generalissimo Brooks says that he first discussed the possibility of using a bomb with Sambor around 2 that afternoon. Brooks says that he did not inform the Mayor until 17 minutes before the blast. On April 27, however, there was a secret police briefing, involving Brooks and several black elected officials. It is astounding—it is appalling—how staunchly the majority of local politicians have rallied behind the Mayor. It could lead one to wonder if the City did not reveal its real intentions relative to MOVE in this meeting.

If you get in a plane and you look over the City of Brotherly Love, you will see hundreds of thousands of rowhouses. From that perspective, a burnt-out street or three may look ugly, but it's not irredeemable damage and it's easy to look elsewhere. Unless one happens to have lived there, it may only represent the amount of money it will take to build similar, or even better, houses on the site. The figure of \$5 million just popped into the Mayor's head when he faced the press the day after. That figure has gone up a bit since then, but developer Willard Rouse stepped forward practically the next day with a design for a new neighborhood of Osage, 62nd and Pine. It is tempting to conclude that the City decided to burn down a number of houses to divert attention from the loss of life.

Bodies Sliced to Pieces by Gunfire

After the holocaust, they started pulling bodies, and pieces of bodies, from the rubble. Throughout the night, the obvious fact that innocent children were being immolated was deliberately obscured (though not enough to keep people from chanting, "Murder! Murder!" on the street) by statements of uncertainty as to the location of MOVE people, a report—later discredited—that three or four armed men were cornered in an alley outside the house, and what were undoubtedly police-instigated rumors that "several" children were on their way to Children's Hospital. There were only two survivors: an adult, Ramona Africa, and a thirteen year old boy, Birdie Africa, who came out of the house, suffering severe burns, around 7:30 pm.

This was the same time of the evening that the gunfight in the alley was alleged to have (not) occurred. It is also around the time that automatic weapons fire was reported to the Mayor by the Managing Director, who later said such reports were incorrect. Automatic weapons fire was also part of the first accounts of Ramona and Birdie Africa's capture. As a matter of fact,



NOT THE FIRST TIME

All right, folks, let's just set the record straight. This isn't the first time that police in the United States have subjected a black community to aerial bombardment. In Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1921, police commandeered private planes to drop dynamite on the black neighborhood of Tulsa in order to crush resistance to a shooting and looting white mob.

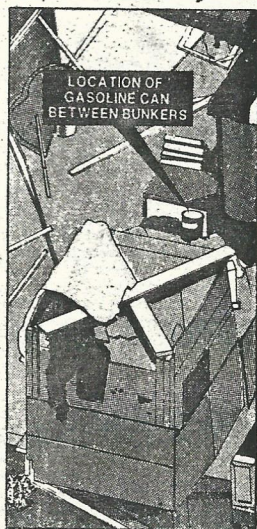
This murderous gang was officially deputized to hang a young black man who had been accused of assaulting a white female elevator operator. One local newspaper, the Tribune, played a key role in mobilizing the lynch mob. It is reported that the front page and editorial page of the Tribune's May 30, 1921 edition were removed by someone when the newspaper was being microfilmed, and that bound volumes of the paper had also been destroyed.

However, there were people who recalled a Tribune article with the headline, "To Lynch Negro Tonight." (Death in a Promised Land, by Scott Ellsworth.)

Precisely how many people died in the bombing of Tulsa is not known, which is partly explained by reports that the city buried many in mass graves. Estimates range from 75 to 300 dead. Over seven hundred black families were forced to leave Tulsa altogether. And over one thousand black people remained to live outside and through the winter in tents.

no automatic weapons were found on the site, which does indicate that MOVE weren't the ones using them.

The authorities had trouble keeping their stories straight about whether the police had ever fired on MOVE members during



the day's siege or the night's fire-storm. Sambor and Goode found themselves giving contradictory answers at the same press conference and, corrected by an aide, Sambor sputtered, "I said the police did fire. I did not say CATEGORICALLY that the police fired!"

Ramona Africa, who is being held on \$3.5 million bail, says that the eight MOVE adults and five children had been in the basement, taking refuge from the smoke (which they assumed had come from smoke-bombs) when they decided to surrender. Ramona was to exit first. She did not know the house was on fire until she got outside, when she looked behind her and could not see the others. The first newspaper report of her capture said that she had yelled, "Don't shoot no more!"

Now, just before we go to the printer, Birdie Africa has told investigators for the Fire Department that the police did fire upon him and his family as they were trying to leave by a back entrance. Which seems to make horrifying sense of why the police first reported a gunfight in the alley, via the Mayor on television, then denied that there was any truth whatsoever in it. Were they concerned, at first, that someone may have heard a burst of firing, but then decided that evidence of bullet wounds would be destroyed in the fire? Did they hasten to deny reports of automatic weapons when it was realized that someone had forgotten to leave the "evidence" behind?

Many of the public were puzzled by reports that the bodies were found scattered through the debris in bits and pieces. While it is true that bodies do get torn apart when excavated by a crane, are we really to take at face value the reports by forensics specialists that there was no evidence of gunfire wounds? The corpses were partly incinerated, mangled to such an degree as to make the sex of the dead children uncertain.

The Background of MOVE in Philly

Why was military force, with SWAT teams on the roofs and aerial bombardment, brought to bear on what was basically a case of friction between widely divergent world-views forced to share the same street? To a hard-working black neighborhood epitomized by flowers in small but tidy front lawns and, in the season, Christmas carols over a loudspeaker, MOVE brought a backyard compost heap and incessant amplified political diatribes which, all Christmas Eve of 1983, presented the novel idea that "Santy Claus is a motherfucker."

That was the night MOVE began nailing slats over their windows, just like that other MOVE family that the police tried to starve out back in 1978, that other MOVE house that was bulldozed to the ground. Back then, it was self-appointed "block captains" (guardians of property values), Drexel University and other local developers, who gave the go-ahead to the police, who had been waging a covert war against MOVE seemingly from the day of its inception.

In 1978, there were neighbors who brought food and donations after the police forcibly stopped their car-washing enterprise and their relief checks stopped coming. Sure, MOVE is strange. They eat raw foods, wash with garlic and herbs instead of soap, and their belief in non-violence extends to their dealings with roaches and rats. [They also fed stray cats—the ecological way to limit the rodent population.]

The black members all have dreadlocks, as combing one's hair is regarded as unnatural. The speeches that were broadcast through the neighborhood of Powelton were abrasive and punctuated liberally with expletives, but constructed with logic, moral conviction and rhetorical force. Some members were former junkies, some had college degrees. From talking to a friend who lived across the street from them in '78, it is my impression that the neighbors did not feel threatened by them.

However, the main thing about MOVE was and is their outspoken opposition to a materialistic, genocidal System where the strong arm of the law is used to protect the status quo and serve the monied class. The police must have sensed this, in some inarticulate way, even as they jumped on MOVE at every chance just because they looked funky. MOVE people are absolutely serious, you might even say fanatical, about their principles, and were driven to take some measures toward self-defense by an intensive campaign of harassment and assault on the part of the police. MOVE charged that two pregnant MOVE women were

ped in the basement and were pumping water in over the children's heads. MOVE members were savagely beaten when they came out, and the media could not avoid seeing some of it. (Watchers of the evening news saw Delbert Africa being kicked repeatedly in the face.) In the end, the children were spirited away to untraceable foster homes, some fifty dogs were executed by the ASPCA, and the house was—with no legal or quasi-legal pretext—demolished. Mysteriously dry guns were brought out of the soaked basement and nine MOVE members went to jail for one bullet, which had killed one policeman, in a case where there were never any ballistics tests and witnesses averred they had heard the shot come from the direction of the police.

MOVE's neighbors on Osage Avenue had a little more money, just a little, than those of Powelton. They saw themselves as "middle class." And this time MOVE had been, by anyone's standards, something of a community nuisance, keeping people awake, deliberately antagonizing them. No one much knew this was going on, for about a year and a half, except those in the city administration who reported the complaints to Mr. Goode. Then the neighbors held a press conference and threatened to "do something about it ourselves." That's when Goode announced that the City had a plan.

The No-Goode Truth

When Philadelphia's first black mayor takes on a group of black radicals who all call themselves "Africa" in the middle of a



which Goode was forced to give back. MOVE is vehemently opposed to drugs and probably knew as much as the newspapers why the Mayor had to return that money. Goode probably didn't take the time to find out much about MOVE himself, and never considered that their principles might forbid them from trafficking with smack pushers.

It seems the City did not seriously envision any alternative to the ultimatum that, at 5:35 on the morning of D-Day, was delivered at MOVE's front door by Sambor, who had warrants for only four of the people inside.

Others who talked to them the night before insist there was room for negotiation. What MOVE wanted was an investigation of the case for which nine of their people are in jail, and please get the guns out of our children's faces, mister. What did the city want? Did they get it?

Lynch Mob Mentality Rampant

Now that it's all over, most of the neighbors of Osage Avenue will tell you that they think the city did the right thing: there was an unfortunate accident, but they're all getting new houses, and at least those horrible MOVE people won't be around to disturb them anymore.

Polls show a clear cold majority of Philadelphians have nothing bad to say about that unique police action of May 13, 1985. There's a lot of ugliness in the air. Black people who happen to have dreadlocks have been subjected to harassment by police and public alike, and greeted by children on the street with cries of, "There's MOVE! Let's kill him!"

I remember reading in a Philly newspaper which hit the streets that morning after the neighborhood had been evacuated and the police blockade set in place, that one neighbor had expressed the opinion that the police ought to just bulldoze the house to the ground, "including the children. You don't want anyone growing up wanting revenge."

Mayor Goode has paid off a lot of political debts in his appointments to the City's investigative commission. This body has subpoena power, but no contempt power, which means it is an obvious sham. Demonstrations have been held in Philadelphia and in Harlem demanding real action. The Citizen's Committee for Humanity and Justice [(215)232-5012] was formed in Philadelphia as a response to the massacre. Their most recent demonstration took place at Leo Brooks' going-away party.

The City says that Louise James, who owned the MOVE residence, will be compensated with the other homeowners, but she has been told to stay out of Philadelphia or any place she moves into will be condemned. They had earlier stated that they would slap a lien on her property to make her pay for the destruction of the MOVE home, where her son Frank James Africa died. They would like to make her pay for the extermination of people she considered to be her family.

Does one have to be a member of that family to mourn for its dead? When people walk past that empty space on Osage Avenue, will anyone hear the children screaming in the flames?



kicked in the stomach and vagina by cops and subsequently suffered miscarriages. It was some months after a policeman threw Jeanine Africa to the ground atop her three-week old child, who died as a result, that MOVE was first reported to be acquiring weapons.

The 1978 police invasion of Powelton Village is a story in itself (see *Blacklisted News*, "The Makings of a Philly War"). When there wasn't any other action, the police attacked the neighbors. MOVE surrendered when Philly's finest had them trap-

ped in the basement and were pumping water in over the children's heads. Apparently, he just couldn't stand the pressure, so he delegated all the hard decisions to Leo Brooks' Crisis Intervention office, which in turn left things in the hands of the police.

How serious was Goode, ever, about negotiating? Goode sent three people out to talk to MOVE about terms of surrender before the invasion. One of them was Eugene Hearn, known to be a kingpin in the heroin trade, who a few years earlier, donated funds to the Goode campaign

MAY 13TH REMEMBERED

by Mumia Abu-Jamal

It has been six years now since the massacre; six years since the carnage on Osage Avenue; six years since an urban holocaust which stole 11 human lives; six years since the unjust encagement of Ramona Africa, for daring to survive; six years since the government committed premeditated mass murder of members of the Africa Family -- men, women and children. . . and still, justice is a ghostly illusion.

To date, no judge, no jury, no judicial nor law enforcement officer, has condemned the May 13th bombing of MOVE; in fact, several, including former U.S. Attorney Edwin Meese, and Los Angeles police chief, Daryl Gates, have applauded it.

For over 17 years now, I have written of the ongoing battles between MOVE and this system.

I have seen every substantive so-called constitutional right twisted, shredded and torn, when it came to MOVE; since the early 1970s, I have seen male and female MOVE members, beaten 'til bloody and bones broken, locked beneath the jails, caged while pregnant, beaten into miscarriage, starved by municipal decree, sentenced to a century in prisons, homes demolished, by bomb, by crane, by cannon, by fire -- but I've never seen them broken!

Throughout this vicious state campaign, the government, the prosecutors, the police, the courts have had one central aim -- renounce MOVE! Renounce your allegiance to John Africa! and we'll leave you alone! This has been proven.

In 1978, a phalanx of 500 heavily-armed cops laid siege to MOVE headquarters in Powelton Village, in an alleged attempt to enforce a civil eviction order. During the shoot-in, a cop was killed and all adult MOVE members inside were charged with murder.

Before trial, two women told investigators they would resign from the organization, even though they too were arrested inside the house. All charges, including murder, were dropped! At trial, nine MOVE men and women were convicted of third degree murder, and all were sentenced to 30 to 100 years in prison. The May 13th, 1985 action was an attempt to draw attention to the earlier injustice suffered by MOVE members, and demand their release.

As to their innocence, one need go no further than the trial judge of the August 8th case, who told listeners of the popular Frank Ford talk show, just days after their conviction, that he hadn't "faintest idea" who killed the cop, adding, "They were tried as a family -- so, I convicted them as a family!" MOVE

members, then, were convicted of being MOVE members! Had Ramona Africa emerged from the sea of flames wrapped in fear, had she not instead escaped with her aura of resistance intact, she would be free today.

Her prosecutor, describing MOVE as a "cult of resistance," demanded the jury convict her of a range of charges that, if they did so, would've exposed her to over 50 years in prison. Only her naturalist faith, the teachings of John Africa, allowed her to competently defend herself, where she beat the majority of charges.

Ramona, eligible for parole (like other MOVE members) over five years ago, is held today solely upon her refusal to renounce her teaching and her family, MOVE.

The muted public response to the mass murder of MOVE members some six years ago has set the stage for a lower level of acceptable state violence against radicals, against Blacks, and against all those deemed socially unacceptable.

In the 1960s and 70s, the Black Panther Party defined the relationship between the police and the Black community as one between an occupying army and a colony. The confrontations between MOVE and this system's armed domestic forces has given that claim credence.

Quite recently, an article in the Village Voice¹ quoted an anonymous white cop giving his prescription for bringing "law and order" to Los Angeles;

cop 1: "You want to fix this city? I say you start out with carpet-bombing, level some buildings, plow all this shit under and start all over again.

cop 2: Christ, you'd drop a bomb on a community?

cop 3: Oh yeah, there'd be some innocent people, but not that many. There's just some areas of L.A. that can't be saved."

The twisted mentalities at work here are akin to those of Nazi Germany, or, perhaps more appropriately, of My Lai, of Vietnam, of Baghdad -- the spirit behind the mindlessly murderous mantra that echoed out of Da Nang -- "We had to destroy the village, in order to 'save' it." As abroad, so here at home, for as the flames smothered life on Osage Avenue, police and politicians

¹Marc Cooper, "Dum-Da-Dum Dum," Village Voice, Apr. 16, 1991; p. 32.

spoke of "destroying the neighborhood" surrounding the MOVE house, in order to "save" it.

Now, just six years later, cops patrol neighborhoods across America, armed like stormtroopers, with a barely disguised urge, to destroy the very area they are sworn to "serve and protect" - or perhaps we should say "sever and dissect?" As they sit and sup and smoke, what animates their minds? Are they an aid to the people, or a foreign army of occupation?

May 13th, 1985 should've answered that question decisively. MOVE founder, John Africa, wrote over a decade ago:

It is past time for all poor people to release themselves from the deceptive strangulation of society, realize that society has failed you, for to attempt to ignore this system of deception now is to deny you the need to protest this failure later, this system has failed you yesterday, failed you today and has created the conditions for failure tomorrow, for society is wrong, the system is reelin, the courts of this complex are filled with imbalance, cops are insane, the judges enslavin, the lawyers are just as the judges they confront, they are Harvard and Princeton and Cornell and Yale and trained as the judge to deceive the impoverished, trained as the judge to protect the established, trained by the system to be as the system, to do for the system, exploit with the system and MOVE ain't gonna close our eyes to this monster...

John Africa, "The Judge's Letter."

It was true then -- it's even truer now. This system has failed all of us. Indeed, it is the problem!

Organize, this very day, to resist it, to oppose it, to go beyond it.

Demand that all imprisoned MOVE members be released, and all political prisoners be freed!

That is a beginning.

That is a first step we can take today!

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Long Live John Africa!

Mumia Abu-Jamal.